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13 Feb.	RANPURA ..		16,585
20 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MALWA* ..	10,941
27 ,,	RAJPUTANA		16,100
6 Mar.	CHINA ..	MALOJA x ..	20,837
13 ,,	RAWALPINDI		16,100
20 ,,	RAZMAK o ..		10,602
27 ,,	RANCHI ..		16,650
31 ,,	CHINA† ..		7,952
3 April	NALDERAx ..		15,993
10 ,,	KAISAR-I-HIND ..		11,430
17 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MOREA* ..	10,919
24 ,,	RANPURA ..		16,585
1 May	RAZMAK ..	NARKUNDAx ..	16,227
8 ,,	RAJPUTANA		16,109
15 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MACEDONIA ..	11,080
22 ,,	RAWALPINDI		16,100
29 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MOOLTAN ..	20,847
5 June	CHINA ..		7,952
12 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MALWA* ..	10,941
19 ,,	KAISAR-I-HIND ..		11,430
26 ,,	RAZMAK ..	MALOJAx ..	20,837

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Date about.	Steamers.	Tons.
1926		
22nd Feb.	GOLCONDA* ..	5,316
25th Mar.	DOMALA ..	8,441
8th April	MARGHA ..	8,278
29th April	DUMANA ..	8,427
20th May	WARFIELD* ..	6,060
10th June	Cargo Steamer ..	

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1926		
12th Feb,	MASULA* ..	China & Japan.
19th ,,	JAYPORE* ..	China & Japan.
25th ,,	MURISTAN* ..	China & Japan.
24th ,,	LAHORE* ..	China & Japan.
2nd Mar.	DELTA .. connecting at Colombo with NARKUNDA ..	Straits, China & Japan. For Australia.
7th ,,	ALIPORE* ..	China & Japan.
22nd ,,	MIRZAPORE* ..	China & Japan.
1st Apl.	MOOLTAN ..	Colombo and Australia.
11th ,,	NAGPORE* ..	China & Japan.

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1926		
12th Feb,	VARSOVA ..	Busreh via Karachi.
13th ,,	CHAKLA ..	Karachi & Kathiawar Coast ports.
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17th ,,	KHANDALLA ..	East & S. Africa.
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xMururan Maru ..	Z. Hirai	5374	12 Feb.	16 ,,
xHakata Maru ..	G. Matsushita	5970	16 ,,	20 ,,
xSingapore Maru ..	....	5859	21 ,,	7 Mar.
*Wakasa Maru	K. Teramoto	6070	28 ,,	14 ,,
Tokushima Maru	S. Kuba ..	5076	7 March	21 ,,
xPenang Maru ..	K. Torii	5214	21 ,,	25 ,,
Genoa Maru ..	M. Shigyo	6735	22 ,,	5 April

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 139, Medows Street, Fort, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on SATURDAY, the 13th February, 1926 to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts made upto 31st December, 1924.
2. To confirm the appointment of Messrs. D. N. Bahadurji, K. F. Nariman, Huseinbhoy A. Lalji, V. A. Desai, S. D. Bhedwar, N. H. Belgamwalla and S. P. Kapadia, as Directors of the Company.
3. To appoint Directors in place of Messrs. V. D. Govindji and V. A. Desai who retire under Articles 105 and 106 of the Articles of Association, but are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint auditors for the year 1925 at a remuneration to be fixed by the meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th February to 20th February, 1926 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.
N. H. BELGAMWALLA,
Managing-Director
Bombay, 22nd January, 1926.

TENDERS.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of the following articles for the year 1926-27. Separate tenders should be sent for each of the following so as to reach the undersigned on or before 15th February, 1926.

2. The tenders should be addressed to "The Chief Divisional Officer, Kotagiri Samasthanam, Camp Tuni" and superscribed which tender it contains, i.e. "Tender for the supply of ..... for 26-27."

3. Each tender should accompany an earnest money deposit of Rs. 200. The earnest money deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them.

4. The successful tenderer should execute an agreement on twelve annas stamp paper in the form supplied to him by the undersigned within a fortnight from the date of communication of the acceptance of the tender. Failing this, the earnest money will be forfeited to the Samasthanam, his tender cancelled and the contract resold at the risk of the defaulter.

5. The undersigned reserves to himself the right of rejecting any tender without assigning any reasons.

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		Approximate quantity required.
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4.	Office stationery including typewriting and drawing materials.	
5.	Bell mark powder colours.	6000 lbs.
6.	Teakwood of all description and sizes.	4000 cft.

Office of the Chief Dl. Officer,
Kotagiri Samasthanam, Kotagiri,
Dated, 29th January, 1926.
(Sd.) S. GANAPATHI,
For Chief Divisional Officer.
C25017

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTIFICATION.

BOMBAY MOTOR VEHICLES RULES, 1915.

NO. 1076/M. V.

IN exercise of the powers conferred by Section 11 of the Indian Motor Vehicles Act, 1914, (VIII of 1914), the Governor-in-Council is pleased further to amend the Bombay Motor Vehicles Rules, 1915, as follows, namely:—

"After rule 28 of the said rules the following rule shall be added, namely:

"28 A. Report of accidents:
The driver of a Motor vehicle shall immediately report to the nearest Police Station any accident involving injury to a human being. In cases where more than one Motor vehicles are concerned it shall be incumbent on the driver of each motor vehicle to make the report required under this rule."

The above notification is published for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that any objections or suggestions with regard to the proposed new rule that may be received in writing by the Secretary to Government, Home Department, Bombay, or the undersigned before the 4th April, 1926, will be duly considered by the Governor-in-Council.

P. A. KELLY,
Commissioner of Police.
Bombay, 10-2-1926.
C25048

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(Sd.) PURSHOTAM VITHALDAS & CO.
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25030

NOTICE.

PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED that the resignation of B. Radhey Lall Capoor, General Manager, Newal Kishore Estates, has been accepted by me with effect from 4th February, 1926 and hence the Estate will not be responsible for anything done by him on its behalf on and after that date.

BISHAN NARAIN BHARGAVA.
Proprietor.
Newal Kishore Estates, Lucknow.
C25046

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the POWER OF ATTORNEY executed by me in favour of Mr. Mohan Lall Kapoor, Vakil, Ajmere, is hereby CANCELLED.

BISHAN NARAIN BHARGAVA,
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Newal Kishore, Estates, Lucknow.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

IN THE MATTER OF THE INDIAN COMPANIES' ACT VII OF 1913.

and

IN THE MATTER OF THE PATEL COTTON COMPANY, LTD., and Reduced.

THE PATEL COTTON CO., LTD., and Reduced, a Joint Stock Company, registered under the Indian Companies' Act VII of 1913 and having its Registered Office at Gulestan, No. 6, Napier Road, Fort, Bombay ..... Petitioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition presented to the Honourable the Sitting Judge in Chambers on the 9th day of November, 1925, for confirming a resolution reducing the capital of the abovenamed Company from Rs. 50,00,000 to Rs. 25,00,000 is directed to be heard before the Honourable the Sitting Judge in Chambers on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1926.

Dated this 12th day of February, 1926.
SUKTHANKAR & GUPTE,
Attorneys for the Petitioner.
C25014

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of Bai RABIABAI, daughter of Haji Ahmed Hassam, a spinster, late of Bombay, Halai Memon Mahomedan Inhabitant, residing at Abdul Rehman Street, without the Fort ..... Deceased.

MAHOMED HAJI AHMED and TYEB HAJI AHMED, both of Bombay, Halai Memon Mahomedan Inhabitants, Landlords, two out of the three Executors named in the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed Rabiabai, deceased, respectively residing at Walkeshwar Road and Abdul Rehman Street, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the above-named deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness SIR NORMAN CRANSTOUN MACLEOD, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 3rd day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and in the sixteenth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

P. B. MALABARI,
Registrar.

(Sd.) E. J. DAVAR,
The 3rd day of February, 1926.
Messrs. SMETHAM BYRNE & LAMBERT,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

(True Copy.)
SMETHAM BYRNE & LAMBERT.
10.2.26.
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BOMBAY COTTON MARKET.

COTTON.

Liverpool, Febry. 10.

	Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool	7000
Total Day's Sales on Spec. and for Exp.	500
Total Day's Sales of East Indian	50

Mid. Americans Spot:—

Universal Standard 10.54. More enquiry. Egyptian FGF Sakellaridis 18.25d.

New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time.):—

March	20.28
May	19.79
July	19.10

New York Noon Call:—

March	20.25
May	19.75
July	1907
March	19.69

New Orleans 10 a.m.:—

October	17.64

COTTON: OPENING TONE & PRICES.

Liverpool, Febry. 10.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

March	10.16 plus .01
May	10.10 plus .01
July	10.09 plus .01
October	9.69 plus .04
January	9.57 plus .05

EXCHANGE.

London, Febry. 9.

Belgium	106.98
Athens	336.00

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Febry. 10.

Cotton Delivery Mid. Uplands GOC Liverpool:—

February	10.16 plus .01
March	10.20 plus .03
April	10.13 plus .04
May	10.13 plus .04
June	10.07 plus .05
July	10.02 plus .04
August	9.93 plus .04
September	9.77 plus .04
October	9.69 plus .04
November	9.60 plus .04
December	9.57 plus .04
January	9.57 plus .05
February	9.55 plus .04

TONE:—Quiet but steady.

EGYPTIAN COTTON: CLOSING PRICES

Liverpool, Febry. 10.

February	17.40 plus .25
March	17.30 plus .25
April	17.12 plus .22
May	16.95 plus .22
June	16.85 plus .20
July	16.80 plus .20
August	16.80 plus .20
September	16.75 plus .26
October	16.80 plus .23
November	16.80 plus .18
December	16.80 plus .18
January	16.80 plus .18

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Febry. 10.

COTTON:—

Day's Receipts at all U.S. Ports	17000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	1000
Day's Exports to Continent	4000

Futures at New York:—

March	20.34 plus .12
May	19.81 plus .08
July	19.12 plus .09
October	18.31 plus .09
Spot Cotton at New York	20.85 plus .10
Spot Cotton at New Orleans	20.23 plus .10

Futures at New Orleans:—

March	19.73 plus .12
October	17.70 plus .13

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) 19 3/16.
Demand Bills 4.86.000
Silver Foreign mined 67.

CLOSING PRICES: AMERICAN COTTON MARKET.

New York, Febry. 10.

Futures at New York:—

March	20.34 plus .12
May	19.81 plus .08
July	19.12 plus .09
October	18.31 plus .09

Cotton Delivery Mid. Uplands GOC Liverpool:—

March	10.20 plus .03
May	10.13 plus .04
July	10.02 plus .04
October	9.69 plus .04

RUBBER.

London, Febry. 10.

Para Up River Fine, Spot M/A 31 1/2.
TONE:—Inactive.

Plantation First Latex Crepe, Spot Buyers 32; Sellers 32 1/4.

TONE:—Absence of demand; closed steady.

FREIGHT OF COAL.

London, Febry. 10.

Cardiff to Bombay 15/6.

BARLEY.

London, Febry. 10.

Karachi Barley:—Not quoted.

MONEY MARKET.

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

London, Febry. 10.

Tele. Transfers 1/6—7/32.
Bar Gold £4/4/11 1-2.
Bar Silver Spot 30 7/8.

EXCHANGE ON CONTINENTAL CENTRES—MIDDLE QUOTATIONS.

London, Febry. 10.

Stockholm	18.16
Christiania	23.90
Amsterdam	12.14
Switzerland	25.20

London, Febry. 10.

Exchange on London in Paris	13275
Exchange on London in Germany	2043
Exchange on London in Italy	12045

New York, Febry. 10.

Demand Bills 4.86.00

DISCOUNTS.

London, Febry. 10.

Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st.	4 15/32
Discount Indian Bank Bills 6 m/st.	4 13/32
Discount Fine Trade Bills 3 m/st.	5 1/4
Discount Fine Trade Bills 6 m/st.	5 3/4

Rentes 5 per cent. of 12 7/8.

STOCKS, ETC.

London, Febry. 10.

Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90 £38 3/8 unchanged.
Victory Bonds 4 p.c. £94 —1/8.
War Loan 5 p.c. 1929/47 £101 3/8 plus 1/8.
Conversion Loan £76 3/8 —1/16.
Indian Loan 5 1/2 p.c. £102 unchanged.
Indian Loan 7 p.c. £104 1/2 unchanged.
Consols 2 1/2 p.c. 55 7/8 —1/8.
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 p.c. 52 1/2. Nominal unchanged.
Indian Stock 3 1/2 p.c. (Sterling Loan) 68. 1/4 plus 1/8.
Govt. Securities 3 p.c. 58 unchanged.

SHARES.

London, Febry. 10.

Hongkong £128.
Chartered Bank £21 3/8.
National Bank £47.
P. and O. Bank £9 5/8.
Eastern Bank £5 15/16

METALS.

London, Febry. 10.

English best Selected Copper £68 1/2
Standard Copper GMB £59 15/16
Copper Braziers £75 3/4
Yellow Metal 70.
Hard Spelter 32 3/4
Corrugated Sheets £16 1/8.
Tin Block £286 1/2.

JAVA SUGAR.

London, Febry. 10.

Fine White Java C and F Calcutta:—
July/Sept. sellers 15/4 1/2.
Oct/Decr. sellers 15/6.
Fine White Java C and F Bombay:—
July/Sept. sellers 15/7.
Fine White Java C and F Karachi:—
July/Sept. sellers 15/7 3/4.
TONE:—Firmer, quiet.

Cuban Sugar Feb/Mar sellers 12.

WHEAT.

London, Febry. 10.

Barletta Russo—61 1/2lbs. F/M sellers 54/6.
Rozario Santa Fe.—57 1/2lbs. F/M sellers 52/6.
TONE:—Easier.
Australian F/M sellers 59.
TONE:—Easier.

SEEDS.

London, Febry. 10.

Linseed Argentine (La Plata) F/M Paid £15 1/8; A/M Sellers £15 1/8.
Cottonseed Bombay F/M sellers 7 3/4. Quiet.
Castorseed Bombay F/M Value 17. Quiet.
Linseed Bombay F/M sellers £18 1/8
Rapeseed, Ferozepore, Usual Bold, per ton F/M Value £19.
Rapeseed, Toria per ton F/M Value £19 1/4.
Rapeseed, Yellow Guzerat, per ton:—Not quoted.
Rapeseed, Brown Cawnpore, per ton F/M Value £18 1/2.
TONE of Rapeseed:—Inactive.
Yellow Cawnpore F/M Value 23 1/4

LINSEED.

London, Febry. 10.

Linseed Calcutta Pure Basis Bags:—
F/M Sellers 17 5/8.
Raw Linseed Oil Naked Spot Net:—
TONE:—Quiet, Easier.
A/M Done 17 1/8.
M/A Paid 29 7/8.
May/Aug. Paid 30 1/8.
Rentes 3 per cent. 45 1/2.
Bar Silver 30 7/8.
Bar Silver two months hence 30 13/16.

TONE:—India sold. Small business. Close of quiet.
Bars sold—87000.
Sovereigns Export to Holland £10,000; to India £72,000.

C. M. PAREKH'S QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Febry. 11.

JUTE:—Albion 4/6; Alliance 485; Anglo-India 375; Auckland 206; Barnagore 140; Bally 158; Birla 7; Belvedere 405; Budge-Budge 472; Caledonian 485; Chapdani 158; Clive 33; Craig 4/14; Cheviot 210; Dalhousie 330; Delta 423; Empire 46/8; Fort Gloster 725; Fort William 290; Gondalpara 800; Gourepore 730; Hukumchand 9/4; Hooghly 65; Howrah 36/8; Kamarhatty 537; Kankanarrah 433; Kelvin 740; Khardah 400; Kinnison 915; Lansdowne 225; Lawrence 555; Lothian 325; Naihati 405; National 28/14; New Central 480; Northbrook 46/12; Nudea 43; Orient 165; Presidency 7; Reliance 54/8; Soorah 28; Standard 368; Union 490; Waverly 6/14; Hessian 19/4; Jute 116.

COTTON:—Bengal Nagpur 20/12; Dunbar 161; Keshavram Cotton 4.

MISCELLANEOUS:—Burma Corp. 12/4. Howrah Oil 6/4; Imperial Bank 1465; Imperial Conty. 373.

REMARKS:—Jute shares were rather better in sympathy with improved Hessians. The market is closed to-day.

INDIAN COTTON CO., LTD.

The fortieth ordinary general meeting of the Indian Cotton Company, Ltd., was held on Wednesday, Mr. B. N. Gamudia presiding.

The report for the year ending September 30, 1925, showed a credit balance of Rs. 2,61,458-12-11 inclusive of Rs. 16,366-14-3 brought forward from the previous year. Out of that balance a sum of Rs. 77,820-1-10 was carried to the Depreciation Fund, while a sum of Rs. 28,412-8-0 was marked as Reserve Fund.

A dividend of 16 per cent. free of income-tax was declared per share.

The report together with the profit and loss account was adopted.

The appointment of Mr. I. Ohta as a director was confirmed, while Mr. Gamudia who retired by rotation was re-elected as a director.

NEW BERAR CO., LTD.

The fifty-second ordinary general meeting of the New Berar Co., Ltd., was held on Wednesday, with Mr. B. N. Gamudia in the chair.

The report for the year ending September 30, 1925, showed a balance of Rs. 2,21,470-1-11. After providing for payment of a dividend of 16 per cent. free of income-tax, for the Depreciation Fund Rs. 51,606-5-3 and the Reserve Fund Rs. 24,350-0-0, a balance of Rs. 6,513-12-8 was carried forward to next year's account.

The report was adopted.

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QUOTATIONS OF LOCAL MILL CLOTHS

(Issued by the Hindustani Native Merchants Association.)

Bombay, Feb. 10.

KHADI:—		
Textile	Per lb.	0 14 6
Century	,,	0 13 6
Jacob	,,	0 13 6
E. D. Sassoon	,,	0 13 6
Elphinstone	,,	0 13 6
LONG CLOTH (Full weight) 34/40 In.:—		
Standard	Per lb.	1 3 0
Century	,,	1 2 6
Hindustan	,,	1 3 6
Fazal (Mahal)	,,	1 3 9
Phoenix	,,	1 2 6
Pahaney (Phoolmala)	,,	1 3 3
Manekji (Patangia)	,,	1 2 9
Kaliamardan	,,	1 3 0
Daud Sahib	,,	1 1 6
LONG CLOTH (Light weight) No. 5302/5303:—		
Rachael Mill	Per lb.	1 3 3
Hindustan	,,	1 3 0
David Mill	,,	1 3 3
Apollo	,,	1 3 0
E. D. Sassoon	,,	1 2 6
LONG CLOTH x Quality:—		
Kohinoor Mill	Per lb.	1 2 9
Swan Finlay	,,	1 2 0
Gold Mohor	,,	1 1 0
LONG CLOTH Satin Calender 34—42 In.—		
Textile (Hand)	Per lb.	1 3 0
Spring (Merchant)	,,	1 2 0
Century (Bugle)	,,	1 1 0
Apollo (Pyala)	,,	1 0 9
Tata Mill (Darji)	,,	1 1 6
Sakuntala	,,	1 1 0
Sundari Brand	,,	1 1 0
DHOOTIES 7, 8 9 Yards—		
Spring (Balance)	Per lb.	1 3 6
Jacob E. D.	,,	1 2 0
Century	,,	1 3 0
DHOOTIES 10 Yards.		
Spring (Balance)	Per lb.	1 2 6
Century	,,	1 2 0
Jacob E. D.	,,	1 1 6
1386 Tata	,,	3 6 0
CHECK GREY DRILL x lbs. 6—		
Bombay Cotton	Per Piece	5 0 0
Jamshed	,,	5 0 0
Century	,,	5 0 0
Pearl Pahaney 25	,,	5 4 0
Hindustan No. 902	,,	5 8 0
BLEACHED CHECK—		
Kasturchand Mill	,,	6 5 0
BLACK CHECK,		
5800 Sholapur	,,	13 10 0
Textile Mill £3 1/2		
GABRUN No. 5124:—		
Pearl Pahaney	Per lb.	9 6 0
Hindustan	,,	9 12 0
E. D. Rachael	,,	8 11 0
SALITA		
Century	Per lb.	1 1 6
Textile	,,	1 1 6
Spring (Merchant)	,,	1 1 6
STRIPED SADIS Yards 12.		
777 Kohinoor	Per piece	2 11 6
777 Crescent	,,	2 11 6
DUKDI Yards 12-13-14.		
Kanta	Per lb.	1 6 6
Great	,,	1 5 0
Phoenix	,,	1 6 0

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THE PRICE OF SUCCESS

MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT RIFF PEACE EFFORTS.

BY ARTHUR FIELD.

LONDON, Jan. 21.

Mr. Arnold Lupton, the untiring exponent of Radical anti-Imperialism, writes me anent my remarks on the habits of the Free Press of old England. He says:—"With regard to your article on the British Press in the "Bombay Chronicle" of the 12th December 1925, I may say that it is a long time since I made up my mind that the British Press was paid for by certain people and they to a great extent fixed the policy of a particular newspaper. The English penny paper is by far the finest paper in Europe at the price. I believe the publishers sell it at 8d. a dozen of 13. The reader gets it delivered to his house for a penny each. The cost is chiefly covered by the advertisers, and if the paper is to continue, the wishes of the advertisers have to be considered; also the government may give advertisements to the paper, and may also give valuable information or withhold it. No doubt certain newspapers are supposed to run in accordance with certain principles, and the advertisers recognise that, but there are limits."

Newspaper Success.

Mr. Lupton then declares that, "At election time, a candidate may find it necessary to pay his own party paper to report his speeches, because such a report would offend important advertisers and jeopardise the advertisement revenue of the paper. The conclusion I came to forty years ago is that if one wanted a thoroughly impartial daily paper one would have to pay for it. I do not know what the price would be. If there were a good circulation, it might perhaps pay at the price of 3d. I remember my father bought the "Daily News" when it was 4d. I think at that time the price of the "Times" was 6d. I should say the 4d. "Daily News" was at the time of the Crimean War, but unfortunately no great body of subscribers would buy a daily paper that cost 3d. or 4d. when they can get a paper apparently as good for 1d. Of course, I would gladly pay even 6d. a day to get a really good paper which gave absolutely impartial intelligence, but then I am in a minority.

"A London Daily paper certainly could not pay at less than three pence unless it had a very powerful body of advertisers.

"The most absolutely honourable paper I ever knew was the "Leeds Mercury." Five and forty years ago it was the leading paper between Nottingham and Newcastle. It was taken by people of all parties, but the owners of the paper considered that gambling was wrong, and did not give good betting news. Consequently, when the "Yorkshire Post" made a vigorous push, it gradually took the place of the "Leeds Mercury" which ultimately was sold to people who probably had no political principle, but there was a noble case of a family which had a valuable newspaper property, deliberately sacrificing that great property for the sake of its principles."

The Position In The Riff.

A Swedish correspondent, who has lately been with the Spanish at Alhucemas, has reported to us that the Spaniards (a) have not advanced one foot; (b) have made no cover; (c) are much bothered by the Riffi shells which "are exploding very well"; (d) are in a weak position at Alhucemas.

It is believed by men on the spot that the French lines will not be advanced at present, but the so-called "political action" substituted for movements of troops.

A correspondent in Tangier reports that Abdul Krim will be able to hold out easily. While the French will be trying their "political action" and immobilizing their forces, Abdul Krim will be free to deal with the Spaniards.

Peace Efforts.

Captain Gordon Canning has sent in a messenger to the Riff Government, carrying the news of the refusal of both French and Spanish Governments to negotiate for a Conference. At the same time he has requested the Riff chief to give him express authority to continue to speak on his behalf. No answer will be back before the middle of February at the earliest.

The organisation must be maintained, certainly till after the Geneva Conference, and, if possible, later still—for the war is not ended, peace is not yet attained and negotiation and publicity remained as necessary as ever.

Captain Canning did not go to France "to negotiate peace." His business was—and now it still remains—the putting of the views of the three parties into as near an approximation as possible, that they might agree to send representatives to Tangier for a peace negotiation. This work will continue, for—as I shall show—the chances of final success were not entirely destroyed when M. Briand and Don Primo de Rivera gave their "non possumus" to Captain Canning.

A lot of well-meaning people have sought to explain "Captain Canning's failure" by their own deductive methods, with the result of ludicrous errors. One correspondent writes us: "I cannot avoid the conclusion that Captain Canning failed in his Mission, owing to not being introduced by someone who (like myself) is "persona grata" with the Premier. I would have been happy to have used my influence personally, but could not transfer my powers to any stranger, even as distinguished as Captain Canning. "I think there is also a little difficulty in the direction of nationality."

Misconceptions.

This letter will serve as an example of popular misconceptions on this subject. Capt. Canning was powerfully introduced, some of France's most respected politicians backed his efforts, and assured his reception by the Government all the time there was no reversal of policy in France. "Le Matin," "Le Journal," and some other powerful organs gave Captain Canning full support and valuable assistance. It was the change of Governments, accompanied by a change of policy on the part of M. Briand, which caused the frustration of Capt. Canning's mission. The intervention of no one, not even of a personal friend of the Premier's could have effected one jota of improvement.

For, be it noted, not merely the reception of Capt. Canning was involved,—but the Premier declared the intention of the Government to refuse even direct negotiation with Abdul Krim, and to substitute individual bargaining with the chiefs of tribes.

Now, how would the kind offices, or soft words, of some "persona grata" with M. Briand, suffice to cancel and counteract such a resolution of the French Government?

Still Hope of Peace.

The hope of the future lies, not in a personal effort to mollify the little old manéater, who mismanages the affairs of a great nation, but with forces which are operating outside his orbit and which will sweep him into their course or destroy him. Perhaps you will believe my statement that such forces exist, if I assure you in advance that I hate the operations of the chief and most potent of them, the financial element. If I tell of its power, it is certainly "not" a case of the wish being father to the thought.

We have been informed by certain influential French people, after M. Briand's refusal, that another chance will arise in two months' time, say, early in March. For, it seems, a certain great French financier is prepared to bring pressure to bear on the Government to produce the July terms again. The incentive to this movement is the apprehension of a prolonged struggle, during which the "economical development of the Riff" (French interpretation) will be postponed, to the greater loss of France than the conclusion of a peace. For in a peace, France could (might, ought, or should) secure that part in the peaceful development of the Riff's mineral resources to which she is legitimately entitled. And a good deal more to that effect.

What are French "Interests ?"

It is quite certain that France, or at least "French interests," would tend to benefit by the conclusion of peace on negotiated terms. Abdul Krim has always emphasised his readiness to accord a safe and reasonable part of the development of his country to French-Spanish enterprise.

It is highly probable that those cynical rascals, the Reds, will smile bitterly at the mention of such a thing. They will, as usual, receive some justification for their cynicism from a rumour which is now circulating. It is to the effect that, if the continued support of the leading dailies of Paris is desired for the peace effort, the promoters must refrain from sending any communications on the subject to either the "Humanite" or the "Quotidien." Finance when it dabbles in political propaganda, frequently assumes a fine bonhomie towards the radicals (until the moment arrives to kick them over.) It is seldom that it shows its talons at so early a stage as this.

Foreign Assistance

Abdul Krim has consistently declared that the resources of the Riff cannot be operated without foreign assistance, which he is willing to employ. It is not true that he has proposed to hand out the Riff in the form of concessions to Germans or English in order to exclude French or Spanish participation in the future of the Riff.

Abdul Krim now dennitely states that France and Spain can capitalise the economic development upto a combined total of 50 per cent. of the capitalisation. That is to say, he is ready to give to France and Spain 25 per cent. representation each,—a proposition which squelches the allegations of anti-French and anti-Spanish discrimination on the part of the Riff leader.

Economic Independence.

Now to turn from Abdul Krim's views and Allied views, to our views as pro-Riffians. We hold that the only way to preserve the Riff, in the event of Abdul Krim's success in this war, is that in the process of "peaceful development" the country does not become the prey of one European State. In that sense, a multi Power capitalisation plan would be the best of the foreign penetration methods. If all are sharing, no one can seize the country. On the other hand, as a society or group of supporters of Riff independence, we are not interested in the financial or commercial side. Indeed, Abdul Krim himself says he is not interested in the economic development question, unless peace is negotiated. The negotiation of peace is the first essential.

A Contrast.

The great Communist daily has been generously and enthusiastically for the reception of Capt. Canning, for the acceptance of the olive branch, and for the liquidation of this outrageous war. The Communist Party actively supported its daily paper in this policy.

M. Renaudel, on the other hand, was a ghastly failure in the crisis. If he had merely sent a secretary round to Capt. Canning at his hotel, instead of blindly swallowing M. Briand's dope, he could have secured material enabling him to expose the Premier to a storm of ridicule against his innuendoes.

The Riff's American Defender.

The latest news about the movement for the Defence of the Riff is the organization of an American propaganda, to which I have once alluded.

Mr. Herbert Myrick, a prominent publishing man of Springfield Massachusetts, U. S. A., is the Chairman of a new organisation called "The America's Committee for the Riff." Its headquarters are in the Myrick Building in Springfield, a gigantic block owned by Mr. Myrick's corporation, The Phelps Publishing Company. The leading citizens of the nations of North, Central and South America are being invited to unite under this Committee to secure justice for the Riffians in co-operation with the British Committee of which Capt. Gordon Canning is the spokesman (and honorary secretary.) Their objects were on January 11 brought to the notice of the French and Spanish Governments, filed with the League of Nations and handed to the "Times" of London and "New York Times." Will anyone knowing sympathisers in Central or South America write them asking them to correspond with Mr. Herbert Myrick?

HUMANITY'S NEEDS.

SUGGESTIONS OFFERED TO INVENTORS.

The prevention and inducement of rain, steamers that will not roll, a process to eliminate rust, and an electric toaster that will cut off current when the toast is brown are among the suggestions put forward for the consideration of inventors in "What's Wanted", an amusing and instructive little book which has been issued for the first time by the Institute of Patentees.

In a foreward Sir William Bull, M.P., explains the inception of the book. Many years ago Lord Northcliffe complied a list of the things that humanity most needed, and "What's Wanted" is composed of this list and of suggestions collected from Government Departments and business concerns all over the country. "The miracles of one decade," says Sir William, "are the commonplaces of the next. It may be that an idea written in this book will give a flash of inspiration to an inventor which will alter the history of the world."

In a brief apologia for the somewhat fantastic nature of some of the suggestions the Secretary of the Institute points out that a hundred years ago such a book would have contained such "wants" as a means of travelling at sixty miles an hour, the wireless reception of music, a means of flying, electric light, telephones, and telegraph. At that time all these would have been regarded as highly amusing, but utterly impossible.

FIELD BEFORE IPVENTOR

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A scheme of "Pay as you enter" for omnibuses.

Road signs and names readable at night.

There are a great many more, some which appear practicable, some impossible, and some merely facetious, but, as Sir William Bull points out in his foreward, many of the greatest inventions have been the result of lucky chance during experiments towards a totally different end.—"Morning Post."

FLOWERS OF SPEECH.

The industrious American journalist who makes it his hobby to collect the best similes has now garnered his harvest—or should it be woven his garland?—for 1925. Several of the specimens in his list would have been unintelligible a few years ago. For instance. "As busy as a kiss-timer in a moving picture studio," "As helpless as a crossword puzzle fiend without a pencil," "As nervous as a man with a strange bootlegger", "As red as a picture-house exit bulb", and "As popular as a loud-speaker in a two-room flat" One has to remember the location of Mr. Henry Ford's works before appreciating the point of "As useless as a curry-comb in Detroit". "As optimistic as aseedsman's catalogue" will be relished by a good many gardeners. "A costume like a siren's whistle", "She was so thin that her full face looked like a profile," "As unknown as if they lived in the next flat", "As usdless as a tyre pump in a canoe", "A reputation as loose as a flapper's galosh", and "As mean as the barber who put hair-restorer in his shaving cream' are other analogies that do credit to the imagination of their inventors.

Regulations for the selection of a direct recruit to the Bombay Police Service, i.e., to the cadre of Deputy Superintendents of Police, in the Presidency proper in 1926 and the conditions of service, etc., are published in Thursday's Bombay Government Gazette.

RIOT AT ALEPPO.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS STORMED BY MOB.

The Beirut correspondent of the "Times" telegraphed as follows on January 11:—

The time for the amnesty expired on the 8th inst. without the least effort on the part of the rebels to reach a peaceful solution, while the new elections for the State of Syria have been marked by rioting at Aleppo and a boycott at Homs and Hama.

At Aleppo the polling stations were closed following hostile demonstrations by a mob, which penetrated into the Serail (Government buildings) smashing the doors. In the course of the demonstration one French officer was wounded and one policeman and eight of the demonstrators were killed. The Vali has resigned.

The boycott of the elections at Homs and Hama is due to pressure by the People's Party. It is officially affirmed that in these towns terrorist methods are being employed and traders forcibly prevented from opening their shops. A few big feudal landlords are accused of having engineered the movement. The High Commissioner, considering their action a criminal attempt to deprive the electorate of their right to vote freely, has, it is stated, decided to apply very severe measures against the offenders.

FRENCH DEMAND

January 12.—The cause of the deadlock in the negotiations for a settlement of the revolt is apparently less the difficulty in finding a basis for an *entente* than the principle involved by the French insistence as a primary condition on the submission of the insurgents as a safe-guard to their authority. After this they seem to be willing to give most generous treatment, to grant all essential demands.

The other party, however, insists on treating the insurgents as revolutionaries inspired by national aims and not as rebels, and this is a further cause of mutual mistrust. I understand that the main cause of the failure of the recent negotiations for the formation of a provisional Government in Damascus was the question of the elections, as Taj ed Din and his party generally consider that only when the whole country is pacified will elections be possible and genuinely representative of the will of the nation. The question of the unity of Syria is thought to be susceptible of solution by the maintenance of the Greater Lebanon in federal union with the rest of a Syrian Confederation, and this considered vital to the mutual economic interests of all parties.

WELCOMING THE NEW TEACHER.

BOTTLES, STONES, BARRICADES.

A Dublin message says, exciting scenes, culminating in a truncheon charge and the ring of shots by armed detectives over the heads of an infuriated crowd, occurred at Dromberg, co. Clare. The trouble arose over the appointment of Mr. McCarthy, a Tipperary man, as teacher in the local school. When Mr. McCarthy arrived to take up duty he was met by a hostile crowd, who threatened to take his life. Superintendent Kelly, of the Civic Guard, and ten other policemen, as well as the Rev Father Vaughan and the Rev. Father Hewitt endeavoured to protect the teacher but were assailed with bottles, stones, and other missiles. The police were obliged to charge the mob with truncheons. Shortly afterwards armed detectives arrived, but order was not restored till a number of shots had been fired over the heads of the crowd. Walls were torn down by the crowd, and rebuilt across the road as barricades.

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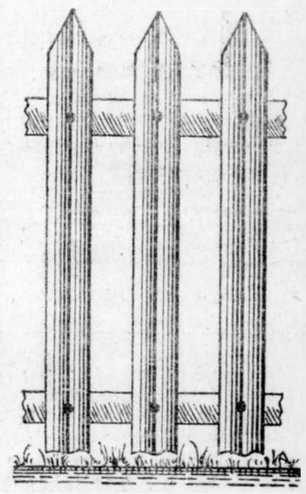

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ENGAGEMENTS.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.
P. & O. s.s. "Rajputana," with English Mails of Jan. 23 due at 5 a.m.

SATURDAY, February 13.

The s.s. Ranpura with the English mails leaves at 1 p.m.
Bombay Races: Big Meeting, Third Day.

SUNDAY, Feb. 14.

Muslim Students' Union Social gathering, Anjuman-i-Islam Hall, 6 p.m.
Solemn Consecretation of the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Mazagaon, by Mgr. M. Despatures, Bishop of Mysore, 7.30 a.m.
Public lecture by Dr. K. K. Dadachanji on "Reactionary Report of the Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Committee" at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, 6 p.m. (S. T.), Mr. M. K. Patel presiding.

CATTLE SHOW AT KANDEVLI

A cattle show will be held to-day (Friday) at Kandevli under the presidentship of the Hon. Sir C. V. Mehta.

GOA HINDU ASSOCIATION

An extraordinary general meeting of the above Association will be held on Sunday next at 3 p.m. in D. G. T. High School, Badamwadi, Girgaon Back Road.

BIRTH CONTROL LEAGUE

The general meeting of the Bombay Birth Control League will be held to-day (Friday) at 7 p.m. at the League Office (Ranchhod Bhuvan.)

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE

An urgent meeting of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will be held to-morrow (Saturday) at 6.30 p.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House.

A THEOSOPHICAL ADDRESS

A general meeting of the members of the Theosophical Society and of the Order of the Star in the East will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at China Baug, Girgaum Back Road, when Mr. J. Krishnamurti will speak on the "Work Before Us".

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION

The annual Ex-Tempore Competition will be held to-morrow (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the Hall of the Union. There will be three prizes, and entries close to-day (Friday).

BOMBAY TEACHERS' UNION

There will be a meeting of the Bombay Teachers' Union in the Secondary Training College Hall at 6 p.m. to-day (Friday) to continue the discussion on "Direct v. Translation Method of teaching English."

HIGH MASS AND SERMON

On Sunday, 14th instant at Vile Parle, there will be a solemn High Mass and sermon at 6.30 a.m. in the Church Compound at the foot of the Grotto, in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes. All Catholics are cordially invited.

FELLOWS OF UNIVERSITY.

His Excellency the Chancellor of the University of Bombay has approved the election by the Faculty of Arts of the following gentlemen as Ordinary Fellows of the University:—Messrs. Keshav Ramchandra Kanitkar and Pandurang Vaman Kane.

ISRAELITE BROTHERHOOD

The inaugural address of the above Institution will be delivered by Professor M. F. Colasco, of the St. Xavier's College, to-morrow (Saturday) at 7-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the Hall of the Brotherhood, 2nd Peerkhan Street, Byculla, when Mr. J. N. Reuben, B.A. will preside. All interested are cordially invited.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The outward P. & O. Mail Steamer "Morea" with the Mails from London of the 4th instant arrived at Port Said at 8-30 a.m. on the 10th instant and left there at 12-30 p.m. the same day.

The P. & O. Mail Steamer "Razmak" with the Mails from Bombay of 6th inst. arrived at Aden at 12-30 p.m. on the 10th instant.

The P. & O. Mail Steamer "Mooltan" carrying Bombay mails of 6th instant ex s.s. "Razmak" left Aden at 4.30 p.m. on the 10th inst.

BHULESHWAR DIST. CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The Managing Committee of the Bhuleshwar District Congress Committee has passed the following resolution:—"The old members of the Bhuleshwar District Congress Committee, who do not pay 2,000 yards of yarn or annas four as the subscription for membership of do not show the certificates of the Spinning Association on or before the 10th March next, will be discontinued as members of the above Committee." Books for enrolling new members are ready and can be had at the office from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Sunday.

BOMBAY RACES.

BIG MEETING: SECOND DAY.

BACKERS EXPERIENCE ANOTHER DISASTROUS DAY.

Punters again had considerably the worst of the argument at Mahaluxmi on Thursday for favourites again failed to hold their own.

Harry Tate won the Rajpipla Gold Cup for Mr. Kelso and the Bombay Derby saw Mr. Hussain Tamavi's Dilawar account for a big field in resolute fashion.

The meeting was remarkable for the fact that two existing time records were broken. Wooer's 1min. 11 1/5 secs. in the race for the Malabar Hill Plate (6 furlongs) was extraordinary and Harry Tate cut the mile in 1 min. 37 seconds dead beating the previous best set up by Vallance and Orange William.

Godfrey completed a nice treble and was easily the most successful trainer of the afternoon. Townsend piloted two winners for Mr. R. R. S. but Keogh had the honour of riding the biggest winner of the afternoon.

There were ten starters for the Cup race. The Kolhapur bracket, represented by Joe's Luck and Prey, was made a firm favourite with The Count and Greenfinch also well backed at their respective prices. The race as a fast run one from flag fall. Affable led them at a merry gallop, but made way for Harry Tate, extremely well handled by Keogh, and Prey in the run home. The Count looked like playing a big part in the finish but he would not struggle when it came to the serious part of the business. Greenfinch was under pressure a long way from home but in spite of Townsend's efforts, he was only an indifferent fourth behind Affable

Beaten last year in the race for the Malabar Hill Plate, Flaming Orb again encountered one better this year in Wooer. Mr Rosenthal's brilliantly speed, gelding. Robinson's charge failed to concede twenty-one pounds although he ran with the utmost gameness to the end. Stanhope is not quite ready but he should be winning a race before the season ends. Metesigenes may have done better had he been started in the big mile event. Here he was always outpaced from the barrier rise.

The Bombay Derby created considerable interest of the fifteen who donned silk Mr. Heath's Silver Thrush was accorded the warmest support, the only others to find a following being Kanze and St. Andrew's Eve. Dilawar, a recent winner over the course was not much fancied, though he was thought a good thing by his connections. The race was an exciting one. After the first half mile, Kowkab had established such a long lead that many on the sands thought he would stay on to the end but he was a spent horse when heads were turned for home and Dilawar and Silver Thrush singled themselves out for the final issue. In the end Dilawar triumphed very comfortably proving that he is a better horse than Mr. Heath's champion over a distance of ground longer than ten furlongs. The victory was a popular one and "Fatty" Nusserwanjee the chestnut's genial trainer was accorded a great ovation as he led his horse to the saddling paddock. Amanra and Kanze filled the other two places, the former finishing very fast after whipping in for nearly ten furlongs of the journey.

Moderately backed in Division I of the Cambridgeshire Stakes, Green Islet just squeezed home in front of Gay Ditty—a horse that has not had the success anticipated for him. The favourite George Phillips had the worst of the start and Black could never get him to go as he liked. Grand Excel ran a race under 8st 12lbs.

Mr. Kazi's colours had a turn in the other division when his Lucky Lad, a neglected quantity, landed the stakes in clever fashion from Radhapiari and Lucky Man. Bowley rode the gelding with nice judgment for this time the gelding produced a gallop at the moment when it was most needed. Domestic Bond failed to stay under the weight he was asked to carry but he is not one to leave unbacked when he starts again.

Ulster Ally was another good favourite to go down during the afternoon. Heavily backed to win the Adelaide Plate he was beaten out of the first four after making a show for five furlongs. Victory belonged to Talaat Bey who was chased home by Fire Star and Stone Martin. With a level start Messrs. Heath and Najmudin's mare might have won for she was travelling better than all of them in the final stretch.

Forgiven a recent failure Poet's Dream was best backed in Division I. of the Broome Plate and she just opened the confidence reposed in her by winning by a long head from Motu Proprio who went well for Brace. Divide kept Lomo out of the third placing while Lady Junior, another well fancied candidate finished down the field.

Division II. was rather easily won by Can Do with Bell's Life and the unreliable Riverine next in order. Kaledin lost ground coming around the turn but he ran well enough to be remembered for another occasion. Stormont was disappointing.

Kadir Hajaz has not exactly earned a reputation for honesty. Yesterday he was in one of his good moods and going generously for Townsend won the Kolhapur Plate. He was hard pressed by Sinnan in the last few strides but sticking to his work resolutely he succeeded in picking up his first race this season. Zoolfakar was running on after a slow beginning and in placing third performed very creditably. I was much disappointed with Commander who was never in the picture from the start.

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Winner Rs. 3,500; second Rs. 1,250; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Horses in Class III.

Mr. R. R. S.'s POET'S DREAM (Chaucer-Nitrolin) 8-6 Townsend 1
H H Aga Khan's MOTU PROPRIO 9-1 Brace 2
Mr. T M Thaddeus' DIVIDE 8-9 Harrison 3
Mr. G. Bell's LOMO 8-3 S Black 4

Also Ran:—Barbary 9-6 Bowley, Belle Syme 9-5 Clarke, Merry Gift 8-11 Ashwood, Redcot 7-6 Sirett, Cylvern 8-7 Ritchie, Lady Junior 8-4 Herbert, Sophie 8-3 Morris.

The Race.—Divide immediately worked to the front and cut a fast pace from Lady Junior. Motu Proprio and Poet's Dream. Sophie brought up the others while Lomo tailed off the field. Nearing the turn the field closed in. Motu Proprio, Divide, Lady Junior and Poet's Dream entered the straight together. Poet's Dream just lasted to win by a head after a fine finish up the straight, 3 lengths, Lomo finished strong fourth a head behind.

Time.—1min. 25 4/5 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 47-8. Places Rs. 23-8, Rs. 30 and Rs. 63.

Favourite:—Poet's Dream.
Trainer.—E S Godfrey.

THE BROOME PLATE. Div. II. Distance 7 Furlongs.

Winner Rs. 3,500; second Rs. 1,250; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Horses in Class III.

H H Maharaja of Kolhapur's CAN DO (Kwang Su—Vesubie) 9-6 Stokes 1
Mr. F M Garda's BELL'S LIFE 8-11 Ritchie 2
Messrs. Heath and Bird's RIVERINE 8-11 Clarke 3
Mr. Eve's KALEDIN 8-13 A C Walker 4

Not run: Marby and Saintly Sovereign.

Also Ran:—Stormont 9-2 Harrison, Britomart 8-10 Ashwood, Steel Blue 8-8 Morris, Eze 8-6 F. Black, Proud Chieftain 8-4 Keogh, Fleeting Favour 7-8 Corkill, Allensmore I 7-6 S Black.

The Race:—Steel Blue took a flying start and showed the eway to Can Do, Britomart and Kaledin with Proud Chieftain showing out in front of the others. Past the "four" Can Do headed Steel Blue who was now followed by Eze, Bell's Life and Kaledin (on the outside). Steel Blue dropped out at the turn where Can Do drew away and easily scored from Bell's Life by 1 length, 2 lengths, same.

Time.—1 min. 26 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 40. Places Rs. 20, Rs. 68-8 and Rs. 42.

Favourite.—Can Do.
Trainer:—L L Jadhav.

THE CAMBRIDGE STAKES. Div. I. Distance 1 mile, 1 Furlong.

Winner Rs. 10,000; second Rs. 3,000; third Rs. 2,000. A Handicap for Horses in Classes II and III.

Messrs. Heath and Bird's GREEN ISLET (Corcyra—Grania) 8-7 Clarke 1
H. H Maharaja of Kolhapur's GAY DITTY 8-8 Stokes 2
Mr. T M Thaddeus' GRAND EXCEL 8-12 Harrison 3
Mr. R. H. Gahagan's WHIT WEEK 8-11 Keogh 4

Not run:—Acre.

Also Ran:—Murmansk 9-0 Barnett George Phillips 9-0 F Black, The Bow 8-8 Brace, Cailis 8-2 Ritchie, Miss Evans 8-3 McQuade.

The Race:—George Phillips gave trouble and was the last to leave the barrier. When they settled down Gay Ditty made the running from Miss Evans, Cailis, The Bow and Whit Week. At six George Phillips joined the field and raced in the bunch. Murmansk and Green Islet brought up the rear. Approaching the turn they closed in. Gay Ditty went on and looked a winner until collared by Green Islet who won an exciting race by a short head. 2 lengths, short head.

Time.—1 min. 53 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 79-8. Places Rs. 19-8 Rs. 25 and Rs. 24.

Trainer.—Privately.
Favourite.—George Phillips.

THE ADELAIDE PLATE. Distance 6 Furlongs.

Winner Rs. 6,000; second Rs. 2,000; third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class II.

Mr. Eve's TALAAT BEY (Ali Bey—Joyeuse XI) 8-3 A C Walker 1
Mr. W. Lauder's FIRE STAR 7-4 C Hoyt 2
Messrs. Heath and Pajmuddin's STONE MARTEN 8-12 Clarke 2
Mr. N Begmahomed's BRIGHT BIRD 8-11 Morris 4

Not run:—Coleby, Grand Excel, Unruly.

Also Ran:—Ulster Ally 9-1 Buckley, Courier 8-12 Bowley Four Square 7-0 Purtoosingh, Valtoi 8-10 Barnett, Very Little 8-6 Herbert, The Fliver 8-4 Townsend, Sauce 8-2 Pryor Arrowy 7-11 Stokes, Wedding Day 8-2 F Black, Park Square 7-10 Sirett.

The Race.—A fair start saw The Fliver, flash out for a while. Then Bright Bird came to the front closely attended by The Fliver, Very Little, Fire Star and Wedding Day. Talaat Bey brought up the others while Stone Marten was last. Round the turn Bright Bird showed signs of tiring. Wedding Day went on chased by Talaat Bey and Fire Star. Talaat Bey gained the better of the finish by 1/2 length. 1¼ length, short head. Stone Marten finished strong.

Time.—1min. 12 3/5 secs.

1st Tote waid:—Win Rs. 92-8. Places Rs. 52, Rs. 34-8 and Rs. 29-8.

Favourite.—Ulster Ally.
Trainer.—J Robinson.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES. Div II.—Distance 1 mile, 1 Furlong.

Winner Rs. 7,000; second Rs. 2,500; third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses in Classes II and III.

Mr. N A Kazi's LUCKY LAD (Stornoway—Moness) 8-8 Bowley 1
H H Maharaja of Kolhapur's RADHA PIARI 7-13 Stokes 2
H H Maharaja of Rajpipla's LUCKY MAN 7-2 Purtoosingh 3
Mr. P G Singhanee's RAKING 9-0 Morris 4

Not run: Charles William, Poet's Dream, Desert Gold.

Also Ran:—Domestic Bond 9-5 Buckley, Penetrate 8-12 Ritchie, Finnart's Bay 8-10 Pryor, Jovial 8-4 Clarke, Brilliant Lady 8-0 Harrison, Mendy 7-6 Townsend.

The Race:—The barrier ascended to a good start. Lucky Man was the smartest out of the gate his nearest attendants being Finnart's Bey, Penetrate, Radha Piari and Lucky Lad with Jovial last. Finnart's Bay headed Lucky Man at the "seven" the others following in practically the same order. They came round the turn without any change in the running. Up the straight Lucky Lad drew out and just managed to win by a short head from Radha Piari 1/2 length, same.

Time.—1min. 54 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 176. Places Rs. 44, Rs. 24-8 and Rs. 68-8.

Favourite.—Domestic Bond.
Trainer.—Templeman.

THE BOMBAY DERBY. Distance 1½ miles.

Winner Rs. 10,000; second Rs. 3,000; third Rs. 2,000. For Arabs in Classes I and II.

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Mr. Hussain Tamavi's DILAWAR 9-8 Barnett 1
Mr. Heath's SILVER THRUSH 9-8 Morris 2
Mr. Moosa M Hoosein's AMANRA 7-12 Stokes 3
S S Akkasaheb Maharaj's KANZE 7-8 McQuade 4

Not run: Tiger King.

Also Ran:—Hawan 8-5 Clarke; Mikado Cardiff 8-13, Mashur 8-9, Aftab 8-6, Rex 8-5 Hashash 8-4, Kowkab 8-2 Bucknell 7-11 St. Andrew's Eve 7-8 and Faisal 7-4.

The Race:—Bucknell led for a space. When they passed the "ten" Mashur forced the pace from Kowkab, Bucknell, Hawam and Silver Thrush. At the mile Kowkab assumed command and led by lengths from Mashur. After a big gap came Bucknell, Silver Thrush, Hawam and Dilawar. Kowkab increased his lead at the six and was lengths ahead of the field. The field, closed in at the turn where Kowkab retired. Dilawar drew out on the outside and challenging Silver Thrush went away to win easily by 1½ lengths. Amanra finished strong a short head behind Silver Thrush, ½ length.

Time.—1min. 51 4/5 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 97-8. Places Rs. 38, Rs. 24-8 and Rs. 56-8.

Favourite.—Silver Thrush.
Trainer.—M. Nusserwanjee.

THE RAJPIPLA GOLD CUP. Distance 1 Mile.

A Gold Cup value Rs. 2,500 presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Rajpipla and Rs. 23,000 from the Fund. Winner the Cup and Rs. 15,000; second Rs. 5,000; third Rs. 3,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class I.

Mr. Kelso's HARRY TATE (cannobie—Bellechase) 8-2 Keogh 1
H H Maharaja of Kolhapur's PREY 7-10 Pryor 2
H H. Maharaja of Mysore's AFFABLE 7-10 Morris 3
Mr. R R S.'s GREENFINCH 8-13 Townsend 4

Not run: Melesigenes, L.S D.

Also Ran:—Aborigine 8-8 Harrison, The Count 8-8 A C Walker, Joe's Luck 8-4 Stokes, Fille d'Or 8-0 Bowley, Castor Bridge 7-11 F Black, Ox Trot 7-10 Howell.

The Race.—A level start saw Affable made the pace hotly pursued by The Count, Prey, Fille D'Or Harry Tate and Greenfinch. Past the "six" the order was Affable, The Count, Harry Tate, Prey and Greenfinch. Affable brought them round the turn and was contesting the issue with The Count when Harry Tate and Prey drew out the former going to win comfortably 1 length, 1½ lengths, 1 length.

Time.—1min. 37 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 183-8. Places Rs. 38-8, Rs. 34 and Rs. 23-8.

Favourite.—Kolhapur Bracket.
Trainer.—E S Godfrey.

THE MALABAR HILL PLATE. Distance 6 Furlongs.

Winner Rs. 12,000; second Rs. 4,000; third Rs. 2,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class I.

Top weight will not exceed 9st 7lb.

Mr. V. Rosenthal's WOOER (Somme Kiss—Toowoomba) 7-10 F. Black 1
Mr. Eve's FLAMING ORB 9-3 A C Walker 2
Messrs. Langley and Askuran's STANHOPE 8-4 Burn 3
H H Maharaja of Rajpipla's MELESIGENES 9-7 Townsend 4

Not run:—Greenfinch, and Cintra.

The Race.—Melesigenes left the gate slowly. Wooer set the pace to Stanhope and Flaming Orb. This order was maintained till they entered the straight where Flaming Orb challenged. Wooer refused to be impressed and won easily by [illegible] lengths, 3 lengths.

Time.—1 min. 11 1/5 secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 42-8. Places Rs. 16, Rs. 14-8.

Favourite.—Flaming Orb.
Trainer.—Major Molony.

THE KOLHAPUR PLATE. Distance 1 Mile.

Winner Rs. 2,500; second Rs. 750; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Arabs in Class II.

Mr. R. R. S.'s KADIR HAJAZ 8-2 Townsend 1
Mr. Oomer Sattar's SINNAN 8-1 Burn 2
Messrs. Davar and Merwanji's ZOOLFAKAR 8-7 Barnett 3
Mr. Mahomed Athiya's HAMIAR 8-1 Brace 4

Not run: Kowkab, Shahabad, Mahir, Blue Beard.

Also Ran:—Commander 9-0 Bowley, Prince Royal 8-5 Harrison, Shums 8-4 Howell, Nassim 8-2 Morris, Tiger King 8-1 Clarke, Shahzada 7-12 Ritchie, Sannayet 7-10 C. Hoyt Sicab 7-10 McQuade, Kitchener 7-7 S Black.

The Race.—An indifferent start. Sicab forged ahead and forced the pace from Prince Royal, Shahzada, Sinnan and Tiger King Commander got away badly and raced in the ruck for a part of the journey. Sicab faded away at the turn where Kadir Hajaz and Sinnan drew out. A fine race home saw Kadir Hajaz last out the winner by a head. 2½ lengths, head. Shums fell after they passed the fifth furlong.

Time.—1min. 50 4/5secs.

1st Tote paid:—Win Rs. 143. Places Rs. 52-8, Rs. 40 and Rs. 35.

Favourite. Tiger King.
Trainer.—E S. Godfrey.

MADRAS RACES.

DIRRAH WINS PARLAKIMEDI CUP.

MADRAS, Feb. 11.

Taking advantage of the Sivarathri Holiday the public mustered strong on the Third Madras Spring Meeting despite counter attractions in the city provided by the Military, Naval and Air Force tournament. The card consisted of seven events and the fields were rather poor in most cases. The Parlakimedi Cup was the chief event and provided a thrilling finish between the winner and the placed horses. The day was not altogether favourable for punters and the exchanges were more or less in favour of the bookies.

THE PALLAVARAM PLATE. Div. II. Distance 6 Furlongs.

Captain W D McCraith's ELECTRIC POWER 8-8 James 1
Mr. Rajmahomed Vazir's CHANCHOON 9-0 Beasley 2
Mr. A Hazamy's ROOMADEE 7-1 Shaukat Ali 3
Mr. E Hazamy's GOLD MONEY 8-10 Babajan 4

Also Ran:—Varid 8-7, Highflag 8-1, Barhan 8-0, Hardan 7-9, Emperor 7-5 Teoman 7-5.

Won by 1 1-2 length, a head and 2 lengths. Time.—1 min. 24 3/5 secs.

Betting: Four Burhan, 9 to 2 Chanchoon, five Varid, sixes Gold Money, Electric Power, High Flag, seven Hardan, eights for others.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 79. Places Rs. 27, Rs. 20 and Rs. 87.

THE MYSORE PLATE. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. F N Furdoonji's MYSTERY 9-12 Easton 1
Maharaja of Kolhapur's SHIRTAJ 9-10 Thompson 2
Maharaja of Mysore's OSBOURNE 7-2 Howton 3
Rajah of Sivaganga's CRIADILLO 8-6 4

Also Ran:—May B, 9-7.

Won by 1 length, 1 length and 1 length. Time.—1 min. 32 secs.

Betting: Two Shirtaj, four Criadillo, three for others.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 96. Places Rs. 21 and Rs. 17.

THE SIVARATHRI PLATE. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. M. Ryan's LAST CALL 9-0 Hoyt ... 1
Mr. Wahab's MABDIR 7-9 Meekings ... 2
Mr. Ebrahim Deeb's SAWT 8-8 James ... 3
Maharaja of Mysore's PANAMA 7-13 Howton 4

Also Ran:—Lutchman 8-11, Amrin 8-8, Dharim 8-7, Hampstead, 8-5, Muzyed 7-12, Meazer 7-5.

Won by one length, 3/4 lengths and 3/4 lengths.

Time.—1min 10 4/5 secs.

Betting: Three Amrin and Mablir, four Lutchman, 5 Sawi, 7 Last Call, Dhareen and Panama 8 for others

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 131. Places Rs. 38, Rs. 23 and Rs. 30.

THE MANCHESTER PLATE. Distance 5 furlongs.

Maharaja of Kolhapur's DANZIG 9-0 Thompson 1
Maharaja of Mysore's SANDRA 8-10 Howton 2
Mr. Eve's GREEN MALT 8-3 Burgess ... 3
Mr. Nicoll's NICARAGUA 9-0 ... 4

Won by three lengths 1 length and a short head.

Time.—1 min. 2 4/5 secs.

Betting: 7 to 4 against Nicaragua, two Danzig and Green Malt, three Sandra.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 46. Places Rs. 21, and Rs. 22.

THE PARLAKIMEDI CUP. Distance 1¼ miles.

Mr. N. Sikes' DIRRAH 9-5 Easton 1
Mr. Makanji's MACDONALD 9-7 Burgess 2
Ahmed Hurgany's BELAN 9-5 McQuade 3
Rajmahomed Vazir's DETECTIVE 8-8 Hoyt 4

Also Ran:—Lookhman 9-4, Sea Spray 9-2, Arab Knight 9-1, Zohal 8-10, Maxim 8-9, Ahyid 8-3, Zugger 80, Sulike 7-4 (car 7-8) Blackberry 7-0. (car 7-2).

Won by a neck a head and a head. Time.—2 min. 25 secs.

Betting: Two Dirrah and Macdonald, three Lookhman, five Sulike, six Maxim, longer prices for others.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 50. Places Rs. 20, Rs. 22 and Rs. 36.

THE BELVIOR PLATE. Distance 6 furlongs.

Maharajah of Mysore's RADIAN 9-0 Thompson 1
Mr. Hearson's LADY MARIGOLD 8-0, James 2
Mr. Gregory's WHITE ROCK 7-12 Hardingo 3
Mr Essaji's ISLAND LORD 8-1 Hoyt ... 4

Also Ran:—Sunny Lady 8-10, Happy Princess II, 8-5 Mademoiselle Vite 7-12.

Won by 1 1/2 lengths, 3/4 length and a short head.

Time.—1min. 15 secs.

Betting: 2 Sunny Lady, 3 Radian and Lady Marygold, 5 Mademoiselle Vite and Happy Princess II, 6 for the rest.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 34. Places Rs. 19 and Rs. 20.

THE PALLAVARAM PLATE. Div. I.—Distance 6 furlongs.

Mr. G H Essaji's BRUCE 8-3 Hoyt 1
Maharaja of Mysore's HULGOB 7-9 Howton 2
Mr Abbe's MUSLA 9-0 Burgess 3
Mr. Hazamy's JUPITER 8-7 James 4

Also Ran:—Lucknow 8-11, Sukhan 8-7, Moorcub 8-2, Bawani Shanker 7-10, Sicander 7-8 Cog Dance 7-7.

Time 1 min. 21 secs.

Won by 1½ length, 1½ length and 3/4 length.

Betting: 3 to 2 Bruce, 3 to 1 Cog Dance, 5 Musal, Lucknow and Sukhan, 6 Sicander, longer prices for the rest.

Tote paid:—Win Rs. 65. Places Rs. 21, Rs. 43 and Rs. 19.—A. P.

GWALIOR RACES.

MOOSTASHAR WINS JAIBILAS PLATE

GWALIOR, Feb. 11.

There were again six interesting events on the card for the second day's racing this afternoon in the Gwalior First Meeting. Though the fields were depleted by scratching the sport provided was very good. The attendance this afternoon was much better being augmented by large contingents from neighbouring stations who spent an enjoyable evening. Bookmakers did brisk business and from the results it appears the punters were well in at the end of the day. The sensational victory of the day was in the Jaibilas Plate by His Highness the Mir of Khairpur's Moostashar who though neglected on the books won from the start to finish as he pleased. The Sewards' Cup saw only five competitors Col. Conder's Middleton, Aldridge Up, was the most favoured at Evens, but a lot of money going on Capt. Bernard's Pussyfoot, the former's price came down to two and he never left the issue in doubt. Riding honours were shared by Japhet and Aldridge both bringing home two winners.

THE NAUTALAO PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

Mr. Bari's APPLE CHEESE, 7-3, Japeth 1
H. H. Maharaja Kashmir's MILORD, 9-5, Perkins 2
Mr. Skinner's CULTIVATOR, 9-3, Ghasita 3

Also ran: Rubys Darling 7-4

Betting:—Evens Apple Cheese, twos Cultivator, fours Milord, fives Rubys Darling. Won by a neck, a head and a neck. Time one minute 50 sec.

THE JAURA HANDICAP.—Distance 9 furlongs.

Mr. Abdulla Mana's JUSSOR, 8-13, Maherjee 1
Mr. Khairaz's GOOLFAHAB, 9-3, Japeth 2
Mr. Bravo's NAJIAN, 9-4, Huxley 3

Also ran: Zirgam 9-1, Grey Wolf 8-9, Bahadurjung 8-6.

Betting:—Six to four against Goolfahab, threes each Najian, Bahadurjung, fives Jussor, eights Zirgam.

Won by a head, half length and half length.

Time 2 minutes and 11 secs.

THE STEWARDS CUP.—Distance 1 mile.

Col. Conder's MIDDLETON, 8-8, Aldridge, ... 1
Mr. Woodward's TWO GATES, 9-12, Balfour 2
Capt. Bernad's PUSSYFOOT, 9-10, Owner 3

Also ran: Be Careful 9-10, Floss 8-4.

Betting:—Seven to four against Pussy-

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THE STATE BANK AND ITS DUTY.

Four directors of the Imperial Bank are on the Currency Commission whose duty it is impartially to examine the rights of the Bank in regard to the custody of Government balances and the control of our note-issue. The Imperial Bank combines in itself the privileges of a State Bank with the advantages of a commercial corporation. To describe it as a Bankers' Bank like the Bank of England is incorrect as long as it competes with indigenous enterprise through its vast network of branches and sub-agencies. The Imperial Bank is a hot bed of racial nepotism. The Indianisation of the staff is a mockery if we compare the appointments made in its development with the proportion obtaining before the programme of one-hundred branches was instituted. We have often dwelt upon the inconsistency between word and deed in regard to the Imperial Bank and its official defenders. The bill of Mr. B. Das in the Assembly is meant to enforce the professions of the authorities about the Indianisation of the staff. When Sir Norcott Warren was put on the Royal Commission, the Government had an opportunity of appointing an Indian as managing Governor. They refused to do so presumably on the Innes-ian plea that there was no Indian born, efficient enough to bear the responsibility laid on the shoulders of Mr. D. S. McClure.

Apart from the injustice done to Indian bankers, the conduct of the Imperial Bank and the Government of India deserve censure. The Indian Bank Ltd., of Madras, is a stable institution, but banks like the Indian and the Central are not allowed any deposit from the Government. The Imperial Bank handles free of interest about Rs. 500 crores a year. At the annual general meeting of the Indian Bank, Ltd., the Chairman quoted the facts of promise and performance. In his address to the graduates of the Delhi University, Sir Basil Blackett said last November that *"it is most desirable that other Joint Stock Banks than the Imperial Bank, such as the Central Bank of India, and the Indian Bank should continue to expand as they have been doing, since the Imperial Bank cannot compete in all the branches of Banking with other Joint Stock Banks and can function primarily only as the Bankers' Bank for India."* This pompous expression of sentiment has not been accompanied by any gesture of fulfilment. To quote the Chairman :—

We have communicated to the Government these enquiries as often as they were made and have often requested them that they may be pleased to pass early orders on the subject. But the Government have not till now passed any orders, and so late as the 23rd January 1926, they wrote to us in reply to one of our reminders that the matter was still under consideration.

The Government cannot reasonably try to excuse themselves on the plea that they have had no time. If they are not prepared to do the right thing, they must expect an unpleasant agitation exposing the arrant selfishness of the people who hold them under their thumb.

INDIAN ART IN BONDAGE.

The speech which Sir Leslie Wilson made at the annual prize-giving ceremony of the Bombay School of Art revealed a true understanding of the essentials of Indian Art and a sympathetic interest in its future. "It appears to me to be essential," Sir Leslie Wilson rightly said, "that an Indian School of Art should be truly national in the widest sense, in its aims and work, or it must fail of its high purpose." The Bombay School of Art, under the guidance of Captain Gladstone Solomon, has, with remarkable success and more remarkable promise, endeavoured to be worthy of this high purpose and it will be no small encouragement to its students to know that the head of the Government takes a keen interest in the success of the School. Indian Art has had a glorious past. It has a still more glorious future if only the causes which are responsible for its existing perilous condition are removed. Lack of patronage, to which Sir Leslie Wilson referred, is only one of these causes.

The great artistic achievements of the past were not the outcome merely of the patronage of the rulers. They were in the main the product of the atmosphere of freedom in which the artists worked—freedom to follow and perfect the distinct national art traditions and to reflect the genius of the people. Indian Art now suffers from the bondage of imported "experts" ignorant of the life, culture and traditions of the people and determined to impose foreign standards on the country. The horrors in stone, brick and mortar perpetrated in New Delhi are a standing proof of the incalculable harm done to Indian Art by these experts. If Indian Art is to be a living reality, it must be freed from the fetters of foreign interference and dictation which stifle its growth. The Prize of Delhi Scheme offers a way of escape. Its main feature is the endowment of scholarships to enable selected and promising students from different provinces to prosecute post-graduate studies in painting, sculpture, architecture and art crafts in a central institute at Delhi. The scheme has evoked the enthusiastic support of the public and the Press throughout the country because it constitutes the first constructive step towards encouraging Indian Art, in its various manifestations in different provinces, and towards evolving a truly national artistic synthesis.

We are glad to know that Sir Leslie Wilson and his Government are relaxing no effort to secure the success of this scheme. The need for vigilance and ceaseless effort on the part of the Government of Bombay as well as the public is however, imperative because though Sir Leslie Wilson has assured us that the Viceroy "is also in full sympathy with any measures which are likely to encourage the study and practice of Indian Art," the Government of India, as was revealed by the secret scheme which we published not long ago, are under the influence of alien vested interests whose dominance has proved disastrous to the cause of Indian Art.

NO BASIS FOR COMPROMISE.

The text of the Asiatic Bill just introduced in the South African Assembly contains a concession which, according to the Cape Town correspondent of the "Times of India," is the outcome of the negotiations with the Government of India. The concession amounts to this that the Governor-General is "empowered to issue a certificate of exemption to a restricted number of Indians to trade outside the prohibited areas, provided the recipients of these certificates satisfy the Ministers that they are living according to European standards." The concession does not make the Bill less obnoxious or more acceptable to Indians. In the first place it will apply only to a restricted number of Indians and there is no legal guarantee that the exemption will be granted even to all of these Indians who satisfy the required conditions. The limited protection is, in fact, illusory and the manner in which the provisions of existing laws have been enforced to the disadvantage of Indians is not likely to encourage the hope that this clause will be interpreted in a liberal spirit. However that may be, the concession does not provide a satisfactory basis for a compromise. The main indictment against the Anti-Asiatic Bill is that it is a piece of immoral legislation which brands Indians with the stigma of racial inferiority by segregating them into locations. It is this principle of segregation which must be abandoned before there can be any discussion on the details of the Bill. The object of the framers of the Bill is clear. By segregating Indians as undesirables they aim at making life so intolerable for them that they will be compelled to leave the country, whose responsible statesmen regard them as aliens. We trust the Government of India, in their zeal for compromise, will not betray the interests of Indians in South Africa and the honour of India by abandoning the fight on the principle of segregation, merely because the South African Government are willing to offer a limited concession which may in practice prove a mockery. The warning is necessary because, as indicated in Lord Reading's recent speech to the Assembly, the Government of India, have, in respect of voluntary repatriation taken up an attitude which is consistent neither with the self-respect of India nor the interests of Indians in South Africa.

Notes of the Day.

The Bully's Bluster.

Prof. Salvemini the distinguished Italian historian, who has escaped from Fascist wrath and is free to speak out, tells us in his book how Mussolini was at one time an advanced Socialist. Those were the days when he declaimed against Imperialism and Empires. Shortly before his advent to power as a Dictator he thundered against the British Empire and declared that the British Brigands ought to be driven out of the Mediterranean. But this Pinchbeck Napoleon as the head of Fascism has now been specializing in becoming a bully. He shows the mailed fist only against those who cannot attack him. It was Greece some time ago. The other day it was Afghanistan. He bullied Greece over the Dodecanese incident. With Afghanistan he had only a qualified success. Now he threatens reprisals against Germany who has no power to retaliate by armed force. But he is always very polite and friendly to the big Powers especially when financial questions come into play.

The Snub Diplomatic.

It was hardly to be expected that the Bavarians, who are neighbours of the inhabitants of South Tyrol with its large German minority, would fail to resent publicly the Fascist policy to Italianise the German element. South Tyrol has far more cultural and linguistic associations with Germany than with Italy and the Bavarian Premier expressed with some vehemence his disapprobation of the Fascist methods. The statesmen of the Reich, however, have kept up a correct attitude and in dignified language Dr. Stresemann told Mussolini to respect international amity—in short, to behave himself. That the German mass mind will continue to be considerably exercised over the new policy of Italian Imperialism is evident, however, from the prominence given in the German Press to an article from the "Roma Fascita," an organ conducted under official auspices. It talks of winning over the French for rebuilding a Roman Empire and is confident that "a block of 80 million Romans from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean under Mussolini's lead will solve all Europe's difficulties"!

A Useful Amendment.

The Naturalisation Bill has been passed by the Assembly but there will be general agreement in the country with Lala Lajpat Rai's view that the measure was not discussed seriously by the House. It is gratifying to find that a useful amendment by Mr. B. Das secured the support of the Assembly, the Government benches being unable to find any argument to oppose it. Mr. Das suggested that one of the conditions of the grant of a certificate of Naturalisation be that the country of the applicant does not exclude Indians from Naturalisation. This suggestion has been incorporated in the Bill but it is to be seen how far it will have any retaliatory effect upon America. In Japan Indians can obtain a Naturalisation certificate, but Lala Lajpat Rai's experience was that they were not allowed to hold real property. India seems to be the most charitably inclined to foreigners compared with other countries.

Was It A Misunderstanding ?

Although the Assembly had rejected it only in September last, Sir Alexander Muddiman brought up again on Wednesday the Bill to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure in order to restore to the magistrates the discretion to award either simple or rigorous imprisonment in proceedings under section 109 of the Code. In 1923 the Assembly had taken away this discretion under Section 21 (2) of Act XVIII of that year because the majority of the House felt convinced that the magistrates had used the discretion to award rigorous punishment only and had misused it by applying it to political offenders who refused to furnish security. Notoriously was this the case during the Nagpur Satyagraha. The Home Member suggested that it was due to a misunderstanding as to the class of persons usually proceeded against under Section 109. But the question is was there a misunderstanding? When the Assembly rejected the proposal to restore such discretion it knew very well what it was doing.

An Aid to Imbecility.

Section 109 is meant to enforce security for good behaviour from vagrants and suspected persons. It states specifically that if any person is taking precautions "to conceal his presence" within the local limits of a magistrate's jurisdiction or if within such limits a person "has no ostensible means of subsistence or cannot give a satisfactory account of himself" the magistrate may require him to furnish security for good behaviour. Its object is to dispose of vagabondism, "where sturdy rogues are found to be lurking about." If under this section, the Police haul up political offenders and the magistrate chooses to try them under it, whereas they ought to be brought to trial under quite another section, is that any reason why the legislature should assist in this imbecility by restoring the discretion in the matter of punishment under this section? For habitual offenders, for persons already convicted there is Section 110 already there, as Mr. Rangachariar pointed out. The Legislature's object must be to secure preventive action, the Government clamour for punitive action.

Pulling the Chain.

When can a railway passenger pull the emergency chain and convince the railway authorities that he did it for a reasonable and sufficient cause In a case which came up before the Bombay High Court, the B. B & C. I. Railway Administration appealed against the acquittal by a lower Court of a passenger who thought he was justified in making use of the emergency chain because he had forgotten on the platform "his coat containing some money and valuable papers." The High Court very rightly considered the absent-minded gentleman guilty of the offence of using the chain without sufficient cause. Its legitimate use was to secure protection of the personal safety of passengers. It is as well that the public should realise this, otherwise anybody, who believes his cigarette case or betel-nut box has fallen out of a train, might think, to everybody's annoyance, that he is entitled to pull the chain.

Why Not ?

When the railway fares were increased an angry and disgusted public was informed that the increase was due to the high price of coal. They are now reduced appreciably for the first and secon-class passenger but the third-class travelling public does not see any marked reduction being offered to it. A correspondent points out that there is no reason why third-class fares should not be generously reduced now because the Railway Board has been able to purchase its coal for 1926-27 at the reduced rate of Rs. 3 or Rs. 4 per ton. He says the Boards purchase of nearly two million tons at the reduced rate means a saving to the Indian Railways of six millions of rupees and he asks why the third-class passenger should not benefit by this reduction in the price of coal. Our correspondent wonders why the list of successful coal tenders should not be supplied by the Railway Board to the Press along with the prices quoted. We entirely agree with him.

Thought For The Day.

"Liberty, if I understand it at all, is a general principle, and the clear right of all the subjects within the realm, or of none. Partial freedom seems to me the most insidious mode of slavery."—Edmund Burke.

BACK BAY SCANDAL.

WHO ARE THE CULPRITS ?

(By B. F. BHARUCHA.)

That the Back Bay Reclamation has proved ruinous is not disputed to-day even by the best loyalist friends of the Government. But the question is, who is guilty of the gross blunders and irrecoverable losses? The Committee says, it is Sir George Buchanan! The latter says, that there is something beyond, i.e. behind the veil, that he cannot ravel! But we have in our midst the so-called Indian "Behind the Veil," perched in safety in the palatial building of the "Chimes of India"! Won't he lift the veil for his countless readers? If he dares not, let us try it ourselves. If we err, there is the fat salaried Director of Information to correct us.

Sir George Lloyd

(1) Did he not come to India with schemes and plans in his pocket?

(2) Did he not countenance Col. Grisewood.

(3) Did he not carry with him H. E.'s letters of introduction?

(4) Did he not try to net some Indian firms for reclamation contracts?

(5) Was it not first mooted that the payments should be made not in cash, but in Development Loans?

(6) Did not Grisewood capture a big English fish for reclamation contracts?

(7) And did not the fair fish succumb suddenly, when Grisewood's gossip proved a bubble?

(8) And pray, did not Sir George Lloyd place all orders for Machinery direct in England?

(9) If he, Sir George Lloyd, did not do that personally, how was it that for full two years every piece of machinery that was landed in the Bombay Docks was all marked "Governor of Bombay"?

(10) Was the then Governor of Bombay the Director of Reclamation also? Or was he the Chief Storekeeper of the Reclamation? Or was he the Owner of Stores purchaser of the Reclamation? If not, why were all the materials for Reclamation consigned to "the Governor of Bombay"?

(11) Further, on whose expert advice did Sir George Lloyd undertake this ruinous scheme?

(12) Can Sir George Lloyd prove before any independent tribunal that Sir George Buchanan is an expert in reclamation of this type and dimensions?

(13) Why did Sir George Lloyd not invite tenders for all plans and specifications, and give the work to any Contractor?

(14) Why did he not consult the Port Trust Engineers, who had the experience of North Eastern Reclamation?

(15) Why did he flout the advice, the exhortation and the protests of his friends and critics?

(16) Did not Sir George Lloyd launch on a most hazardous scheme, without knowledge of engineering, without the advice and guidance of any recognised expert and keep on purchasing materials in England, as though he was the sole Owner of Bombay?

(17) Is he not the Arch Offender in this whole blunder and loss?

(18) Had he given the work on Contract; had he retained the services of Dutch Engineers, who are experts in Dyke making; had he taken Indian leaders into confidence, things would never have come to this sorry pass. But he acted quite differently—self-centred, self-conceited, self-satisfied, he despised and flouted those that differed from him. And to-day he is the Arch Offender of the Back Bay Bungle.

Sir George Curtis

(1) And did not this ex-Executive Councillor play to the tune of Sir George Lloyd?

(2) Did he not boom the Reclamation scheme in England?

(3) Did he not thereby enlist the support of British Manufacturers?

(4) Did not the latter bring their pressure to bear on the Government at Whitehall and Simla to push through the scheme, so that the unemployment situation in Great Britain may be eased?

(5) Did not Sir George Curtis thus manoeuvre sanction for the scheme, which had been twice turned down by the Government of India?

But for Sir George Curtis' tactics, representations, propaganda and persuasions for a scheme of such doubtful nature, the arrogant and autocratic Sir George Lloyd could not have made headway so easily and so rapidly, and all so secretly and silently. And so far, Sir George is responsible for the ruinous reclamation.

Sir George Buchanan

(1) Was he a first class expert adviser?

(2) Had he ever undertaken a Reclamation work of this description or dimensions?

(3) Did he secure the confirmation of any distinguished Expert for his Reclamation Scheme?

(4) Was he not a plain and simple Port Officer of Rangoon?

(5) Was he not taking stupendous risks, when he posed and acted as an Expert Adviser for one of the largest reclamation works in the world?

(6) What were his qualifications, knowledge and experience to hazard such a gigantic work?

(7) And what safeguards did he take in the execution of the scheme?

(8) Who were his Representatives on the spot inspecting the Works?

(9) If not, how did he charge a commission of 2½ per cent on all expenditure incurred in connection with the Reclamation?

(10) Has not this Commission been exorbitant? Has he earned it? If he thinks so, is he not bound to share the loss, which is mainly due to his inadequate knowledge, experience and supervision of the Back Bay Reclamation?

It is thus clear how the Georgian Trio has brought ruin on fair Bombay.

Sir Lawless Hepper

(1) Is he an Expert Town-planner.

(2) Or an experienced Contractor?

(3) Or a trained business man?

(4) Then how was he qualified for the Directorship of the Development Department?

Perhaps by a lawless law of Sir George Lloyd!

(5) Have there been bitter complaints of high priced contracts of coal, of cement and of stores

(6) Were Reclamation records complete? No.

(7) Were Reclamation Account Books duly kept?

(8) Were Reclamation expenses in consonance with estimates?

(9) Will Sir Lawless Hepper permit any independent audit of all his Reclamation Records and Books?

(10) Have not his expenses exceeded all estimates? Had he had Buchanan's sanction or approval?

(11) On what ground can Sir Lawless claim exoneration from his liability for the stupendous loss on the Back Bay Reclamation?

Bharucha's Recommendations

To-day, all Bombay demands

(1) Stop Reclamation at once.

(2) Cut off all losses now,

(3) Appoint independent Committee of Enquiry,

(4) Apportion the blame, and recover the losses from responsible parties. Let it not be said of Sir Leslie Wilson's Government that it hushed up the Back Bay Bungling and swindling like the one in the Indian Munitions Department! We hope not for the fair name of Sir Leslie Wilson.

TRIFLES.

Supporters of the Commonwealth of India Bill nourish the grievance that sceptics do not speak respectfully of it. "Civility costs nothing" says a Madras speaker. That is all very well, but there would be an uproar in any office if people put at the end of every cable: "We hope your health is good. Yours very truly, etc., etc."

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Public meetings to shield the Maharajah of Indore, though prohibited in his State, are permissible in British India. The framers of the Princes' Protection Bill did not contemplate the possibility of protection for Princes in that sense.

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A public meeting at Poona was so zealous that it passed the following resolution:

(2) *That His Highness should not voluntarily abdicate under any pressure.*

"Voluntary abdication under pressure," is a fine concatenation of ideas.

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A witness before the Skeen Committee declared, "Judge a boy by himself and not by his father." In this modern age this is just the advice boys want the world to accept, but the fathers are not likely to relish it.

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For to-day's glimpse of the obvious we are indebted to a contemporary in its description of a college day ceremony, and the report of the learned president's speech:—

"He gave a piece of advice to the students that they would benefit themselves by the instruction imparted to them by the Professors who were doing so much for them."

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Life in an Honorary Magistrate's Court is not always dull. One of them remarked the other day to an accused "I seem to know you. Were you not put up before me only two years ago for stealing a pair of breeches."

"Jee-Huzoor" from the accused "but the breeches cannot last for ever!"

WAYFARER.

MAHA SHIVARATRI.

BATHING SCENES AT CHOUPATI.

The Maha Shivaratri festival fell yesterday and as usual large crowds of Hindu citizens went to the Choupati sea-shore for their bath. There are two chief places in Bombay which are considered sacred by the Hindus—one of them is the old tank Banaganga at the foot of Walkeshwar and the other is the Choupati foreshore. Maha Shivaratri is essentially a day consecrated to fasting and worship, and nothing stirs the lower, and necessarily the more religious strata of Hindu society as Shivaratri day. Men, women and children in their thousands flock to the sea shore from an early hour in the morning for their bath.

TEMPLE OF SHIVA.

From the sea shore the next place of visit is a temple of Shiva and no temple is more popular in Bombay than that of Babulnath for the purpose. There are also other places of worship in the city, where Shiva is the principal God, and there too large numbers can be seen throughout the day. Yesterday very large crowds went to the sea shore, and the whole foreshore was covered by multitudes of Hindus. The holiday spirit is there, but it is chastened by fasting and worship of the great Destroyer Shiva. Fasting in its strictest sense is rarely observed on any of these so-called fasting days, except by a few. Fasting in ordinary parlance means stuffing oneself with some fruit or nuts, or any food which is not included in the daily menu of a Hindu. In practice, therefore, on such festivals, fasting means something akin to overeating.

GREAT FAIRS.

Leaving aside this question, among the higher classes worship is a more serious affair. They have to worship Shiva both in the morning and in the evening, and sometimes the evening worship lasts the whole night in the case of the more religious. In those cities which are sacred to the God Shiva great fairs are held lasting over several days. Since all the mills and factories are closed, to the men it is a real holiday combined with religious observances.

"THE DESTROYER"

Shiva is the last of the Hindu Trinity forming the God-head. He is the Terrible Destroyer. If he is terrible, he is equally easy to placate, and in Hindu Puranas Shiva figures as the favourite God of Rakshasas, or demons. He is supposed to be living on the top of Mount Kailasa in Tibet, at the foot of which is the beautiful lake Manasarovara. He lives there with Parvati as his spouse, and his son Ganesh and a large army of followers, of whom Virabhadra is the chief. If Shiva is an ascetic with snakes twining round his blue throat, matted hair with Ganga flowing out of it, clad in a tiger skin, armed with a trident, his body smeared with ashes,—the story of his marriage with Parvati forms one of the most romantic chapters in Hindu Puranas. The emblem of Shiva is the lingam, which some half-baked "orientalists" ascribe to phallic worship. It is nothing of the kind. The lingam represents the top of the sacrificial pillar, which is perhaps a survival of the Vedic times. Shiva Linga is the emblem mostly worshipped in Shiva temples, and it loves nothing more than water to be poured over it almost the whole day.

Nothing is more impressive than this tidal wave of humanity going to Choupati singing songs and on worship bent. A greater variety of colours it is impossible to see anywhere, and once seen it is impossible to efface from memory this wonderful moving scene.

500 WORKMEN ON STRIKE.

DISPUTE OVER ANNUAL INCREASE & BONUS.

On Wednesday at about 4-30 p.m., 500 workmen employed in the workshop of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. at Sewree suddenly "downed tools" and demanded their yearly increase as well as bonus for the last year.

ABSENCE OF DEMONSTRATION.

The management not having acceded to their demand, the workmen left the premises peacefully without making any demonstration. The total strength of the workshop is 750. On Thursday the workshop remained closed owing to Mahashivratri holiday.

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CYCLIST CRUSHED TO DEATH.

DRIVER OF MOTOR LORRY TO BE PROSECUTED.

How a Mahomedan cyclist was crushed to death near his house under a motor-lorry driven at an excessive speed was narrated at the Coroner's Court on Thursday, when inquest was held on the body of Allabux Ali. It appeared on Wednesday afternoon Mahadeo Sakhia, a Hindu, was driving motor-lorry No. Bom. 813 along Currey Road, when Allabux Ali (30) came out of a lane suddenly on a bicycle and while crossing the road was knocked down and run over. He died on the spot.

At an inquest held by the Coroner, Dagdu Bala said he was standing at the junction of Supari Bag Road near Luxmi Cinema at the time of the accident. He saw the motor-lorry was coming very fast and turned into Currey Road. It was going at such a terrific speed that a friend who was standing with him exclaimed that the driver would certainly kill somebody. Witness also formed the same impression. After ten minutes witness heard that a man had been killed under a motor-lorry and on going to the spot found the dead body of the deceased. The spot on which the deceased was lying was about 125 paces from the place witness was standing with his friend and when they said the motor-lorry was going fast.

Inspector Klien of Dadar Police Station said on receipt of information he proceeded to the spot and found a bicycle lying near the dead body. The deceased either appeared to have come out of the lane or was going into the lane on his bicycle because his house was in that lane.

Medical evidence showed that the spleen of the deceased was ruptured and ribs on both sides were fractured. Death was due to internal haemorrhage from lacerated viscera. The jury returned a verdict of death due to internal haemorrhage the deceased having been knocked down and crushed by one of the wheels of motor-lorry No. 813 which was being driven in a rash and negligent manner by the driver Mahadeo Sukhia. The suspect Mahadeo was arrested and will be placed before a magistrate to-day.

GIRL KILLED BY LABOUR CART.

At about 4-15 p.m. on Wednesday a labour cart No. 7427, driven by Dhondi Kuhaba residing at Sewree Cross Road, was proceeding along Sewree New Road when, opposite Ismail Manzil, Shantibai Vithoo (4), who was crossing the road with her brother, was knocked down and run over. The right wheel of the cart passed over her before it was pulled up. She died on the spot.

At an inquest held by the Coroner the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

SENTENCED FOR ILLICIT POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

Three months' rigorous imprisonment was awarded to A. L. Chong, a Chinese messroom "boy" on board the s. s. "Kuld" by the Third Presidency Magistrate, for possessing opium valued at Rs. 710 without a licence.

On Tuesday morning, Inspector Hawes with a number of his rummaging staff boarded the steamer and went round their job. when they opened one of the vacant cabins they found the stuff concealed under the flooring. On enquiries it was found that the accused had a key of the cabin in his possession.

Charged with illicit possession of opium the accused pleaded guilty and was convicted.

BOMBAY MIDDLE CLASS FAMILIES.

BURDEN OF TAXATION.

In the course of the Labour Office middle class Family Budget Enquiry in Bombay city, 1,748 budgets were collected out of which 248 were for families with a monthly income below Rs. 100. An attempt is made in an article in the "Labour Gazette" for January 1926 to find out the incidence of taxation on this non-income-tax paying section of the community.

While working out the incidence, it is found that on only one item—entertainments—is any tax paid to Provincial Revenues and that out of an annual taxation amounting to Rs. 41-14-2, the Government of India takes Rs. 10-14-1, the Municipality Rs. 30-10-6 and the Government of Bombay only Rs. 0-5-7.

In December 1925 the general index of wholesale prices in Bombay was 155, five points below the level of the previous month. The index number for food grains only was 143 as against 147 during the previous month.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

There were six industrial disputes in progress during December 1925. The number of work-people involved was 152,876 and the number of working days lost 1,799,343.

During the year 1925, the total number of disputes amounted to 69. Out of these 61 occurred in Spinning and Weaving Mills, 3 in Railway Workshops and the remainder in other industries. The number of work-people involved was 175,631 and the number of working days lost 11,387,797.

Throughout 1925 the cost of living index number for the working classes in Bombay remained fairly steady and the price fluctuations were within very narrow limits. The twelve monthly average was 155, which showed a fall of two points as compared with the average for the previous year but a raise of one point as compared with the average for 1923.

The All-India Union of Postmen and Lower Grades Staff will hold its 3rd Annual Conference at Lahore on the 26th, 27th and 28th instant under the presidency of Mr. N. M. Joshi, M.L.A. Resolutions concerning the present conditions of labor will be passed. Officers for the next year will be elected.

INDIAN MESSAGE OF BEAUTY.

THE GODDESS PARVATI
A mural panel, by J. M. Ahivasi.

STUDY FROM LIFE
By Sheikh Rajjab.—(Awarded the Governor's Prize.)

KRISHNA LEAVING MATHURA.
A mural panel, by P. Bodas.

The latest exhibition of the work of the students of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, which was opened by the Governor on Wednesday, has revealed in an astonishing manner the capacity of Indian students to express the Indian message of Beauty, whether the medium be water-colour, oils, clay or marble. This capacity is to be seen in an especial degree in the mural paintings, of which there are a good many in the Exhibition. Above are reproduced photographs of three of the most striking exhibits.

RANGOON LETTER.

MUSLIM LEADERS' VISIT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Febry. 3.

On the 25th January, Sir Harcourt Butler, the Governor, inaugurated the Health Week at the Jubilee Hall in the presence of a large audience. In an erudite speech with quotations from Carlyle and Bacon and discussion, of Lamarckian theory, His Excellency declared the Exhibition open. There are numerous stalls inside the hall and out of it, which apart from instructing the public in the most uptodate methods of public and domestic hygiene serve to advertise the wares of the firms which exhibit them. Health Week Exhibitions and Baby Week Shows have a tendency to degenerate into fashionable fetes as the masses cannot have the means of buying the costly apparatus, novel devices and dazzling utensils. An interesting series of lectures on different aspects of public health in English, Burmese, Tamil and Gujarati was also arranged. The week is now over.

WELCOME TO MUSLIM LEADERS.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Maulana Shaukat Ali arrived here last Friday, on the 29th ultimo. They were given an enthusiastic reception and the public adress presented to them praised their broad-mindedness and tolerance in dealing with national issues. Maulana Azad characteristically enough dwelt upon this point in the speech and congratulated the gathering on the happy communal relations of the two communities in Burma, of which this reference, he said, was a proof. The two leaders addressed a large meeting on Sunday afternoon where Maulana Azad emphasised the importance of Hindu-Muslim unity, and dwelt on the need of education of Muslim masses. They intend to stay in Burma for some weeks and tour in the province, Maulana Mahomed Ali joining them soon. Sjt. Manilal Kothari is also here in connexion with the All-India Deshbandhu Fund. He visited Prome last week and is back in Rangoon.

THE EXPULSION BILL.

The Indian leaders in Burma are closely watching the outcome of the Assembly's action on the Non-Burman Offenders' Expulsion Bill. In reply to a telegram by Mr. Tyabji, M.L.C., to the leaders in the Assembly, Dr. Gour suggested the sending of a deputation to Delhi while Lala Lajpat Rai thought that an adjournment motion was impossible. It is reported however, that Mr. Ramchandra Rao is tabling a motion of adjournment while eighteen Swarajists including Mr. U. Tok Kyi, the Burman member, are moving resolutions urging the Government to move the Secretary of State to disallow the Bill, and Mr. A. Dutt's motion will come on the 9th. After having sanctioned the measure himself, it is useless to expect that Lord Reading will ask Lord Birkenhead to oblige the Indians in Burma and advise him to overrule himself.

THE INDIAN CHAMBER.

The newly-started Indian Chamber of Commerce is making good headway as judged from excerpts of the proceedings of its Managing Committee for the month of December published recently. It has been given a seat on the Railway Advisory Board and the Port Trust and a member selected by the body has been nominated in the Legislative Council. The Chamber is proving useful to local merchants by making detailed representations on their various grievances regarding customs or port or police arrangements and urging its viewpoint in respect of questions like income tax, insurance or currency. It is asking for representation in the Assembly such as is conceded to the European Chamber.

Mr. Horniman's reply to messages from Burma was published in local papers and his hope of visiting Burma some day was interpreted in an enterprising spirit as "Mr. Horniman to visit Burma." The Calcutta correspondent of another daily has still the Editor of the "Chronicle" on his brain. Though Mr. Horniman neither landed nor is staying in Calcutta the correspondent delivers himself thus: "His (Mr. Horniman's) present attitude now that he is back in 'my beloved India' seems to be one of buoyant almost boisterous optimism but it is to be hoped that he will now refrain from a repetition of those puerilities that marred his former regime. However, with this gentleman, it is at present a case of 'wait and see' but Calcutta readers are looking forward to his first display of editorial fireworks." It is best to leave it at that.

AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK.

Rain during week in parts of Sind, Konkan, Deccan, Karnatak, and Kolhapur. Picking of cotton in progress in parts of Sind, Gujarat, Sholapur and Karnatak. Standing crops generally in good condition. Harvesting of rabi crops continues. Supply of water for drinking generally adequate. Water for irrigation generally sufficient. Supply of fodder generally adequate. Agricultural stock in good condition. Prices of food grains fluctuating.

CONGRESS WORK IN PUNJAB.

CENTRES OF SPINNING ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary, Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, writes in the course of a circular letter:—

The Punjab Provincial Congress Committee since its last annual elections has applied itself to the various items of the Constructive Programme as agreed upon by the A. I. C. C. at Patna and subsequently confirmed at Cawnpore. The Working Committee has constituted separate Boards for taking up the various branches of work. For the present the attention of the Congress will be mainly directed towards Khaddar and Swadeshi Prachar, Hindu-Muslim Unity, Labour Board, Village Organization, Elections, Hindustani Seva Dal.

The Khaddar and Swadeshi propaganda has been entrusted to the Punjab branch of the All-India Spinners' Association. Lala Kishan Chand, an indefatigable, zealous and earnest worker in this cause, is in charge of this branch. He has started a centre of work at Adampore, District Jullundur, because of good production of Khaddar in that locality. The P. P. C. C. will be very much obliged if people will inform us as to where Swadeshi articles in common them as to where Swadeshi articles in common use can be obtained.

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Won by a short head, a neck and a half
Time: 1 minute and 17 1/5 secs.—A.P.

Dr. P. P. Pillai of the League of Nations Secretariat arrived Amritsar on Wednesday. In the evening he addressed a crowded public meeting and traced the early history growth and formation of the League of Nations and the idea of internationalism.

Professor Binoy Sirkar lecturing at Calcutta on vocational education urged the establishment of vocational schools all over the country on the model of the French Academy. "Fifty Bengalees" he said "should proceed to France to study local conditions."

Mr. Nripendra Chandra Banerji, ex-editor of the "Servant" and the "Rangoon Mail" has joined the Khadi Pratisthan.

WORLD-RENOWNED BOXERS IN BOMBAY.

"BOXING MARQUIS" TO APPEAR IN RINK.

Two world-renowned amateur boxers, namely, the Marquis of Clydesdale (popularly known as the "Boxing Marquis") and Edward Eagan have arrived in Bombay. They intend having a tour through India. They will visit Bangalore, Mysore, Gwalior, Sunderbans and Calcutta and then intend proceeding to the Far East.

The Marquis captained the Oxford Boxing team in 1924.

Edward Eagan is the winner of the amateur heavyweight championship of England (1923) and the World's Championship at the Olympic Games (1920). An American Rhodes Scholar to Oxford, he captained the Boxing Club there in 1925. He is a lawyer by profession.

At one time it looked as if Boxing enthusiasts in Bombay would be disappointed, since no suitable match could be had at insufficient notice. But, it is definitely announced now that a big amateur tournament is being organised in aid of the Governor's Hospital Fund, at the Skating Rink for Monday the 15th instant, when both will appear in the Rink in a fight against Army boxers, to be selected hereafter.

FOOTBALL IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, Febry. 10.

The following are the results of football matches played in the League to-day:—

The First Division:—Everton 1, Manchester City 1.

The Second Division:—Chelsea 1, Clapton Orient 3; Southampton 2, Derby 1.

The Third Division (Southern):—Crystal Palace 4, Newport 2.

The Scottish League:—Kilmarnock 2, Celtic 1; Hearts 4, Hamilton nil; Morton 2, Hibernians 5; Raith 2, St. Johnstone 2; Rangers 1, Airdrieonians 2.

In the Scottish Cup, the replayed matches resulted as follows:—

Dumbarton 4, Forfar 1; Bathgate 3, Berness 1; Peebles Rovers nil, Albion 4; Dundee nil, Aberdeen 3.

SCOTTISH CUP DRAW.

The following is the draw for the third round of the Scottish Cup to be replayed on 20th February:—

Dumbarton vs. Clyde; Third Lanark vs. Brechin; Falkirk vs. Rangers; Morton vs. Albion. Aberdeen vs. St. Johnstone; Bathgate vs. Airdrieonians; Hearts vs. Celtic; St. Mirren vs. Partick.

In the Rugby Union, to-day, Bridgend drew with Swansea, 12 points all.—Reuter's Special.

RAJKOT NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RAJKOT, Feb. 7.

To-day was a gala day in Rajkot States owing to its being the 17th birthday of Yuvraj Shri Dharmendrasinhji, heir-apparent of Rajkot State. The day was observed as a holiday.

Some days before, the Boy Scouts' and Girl Guides' activities were in full spring. The Thakore Saheb takes personal interest in this.

There was a large gathering of visitors to celebrate this function at the Ranjit Vilas Palace. Among those present were the Thakore Saheb, Mr. and Mrs. Corfield, Col. and Mrs. Hutcins, many civil and military officers and other gentry. The Thakore Saheb, in appreciation of the services of some of the State officers presented Rs. 10,000 to them, the chief recipients being Mr. T. P. Bhatt, General Karbhari, Rs. 3000, Mr. Usaf Rs. 3,000, Mr. Ratilal G. Mehta Rs. 2,000, Mr. Pranjiwan Rs. 1,000, and the remaining sum was distributed among Scout Masters, etc. After refreshments the gathering dispersed at 7-30 p.m. wishing long life to the Yuvraj and a cablegram to that effect was sent to him in London.

BABY WEEK IN RATNAGIRI.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

RATNAGIRI, Feb. 6.

An influential District Committee consisting of about 150 members has been formed for the purpose of inaugurating and developing the Baby Week Movement in the different parts of the district, Mr. Shaikh, the collector being the President of the Committee. It is proposed to hold three shows in the District in March next. Mr. Shaikh has started the fund with a donation of Rs. 100. The movement promises to gain ground in the District.

The Governor-General has allotted 3rd, 8th, 15th, and 17th March for non-official business in the Council of State.

An interesting discussion as to the definition of "Advocate" and "Barrister" took place at a meeting of the Calcutta Corporation on Wednesday evening when the House was asked to approve the draft amendment of Schedule 6 of the Calcutta Municipal Act 1923 by inserting the word "advocate" after the word "vakil" in the lists of trades and professions. The Corporation eventually adopted the Government draft.—A.P.

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TENNIS IN BOMBAY.

PRESIDENCY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

RANGA RAO IN THE FINAL.

Quite the best match of the Tournament was witnessed on Tuesday at the Hindu Gymkhana when Rangarao met Raja Iyer, the champion. It was a case of Greek meeting Greek, the tennis being consequently of a high standard. Excitement soared high when Rangarao took the first set at 8—6, and all seemed to be over when he led in the next at 4—2. Raja Iyer, however, was not easily beaten, and it was only after eighteen games had been played that Rangarao could claim a victory. The latter was steadiness personified, his accuracy in placing being almost uncanny. Raja Iyer excelled himself on the backhand which was faultless throughout the afternoon, his passing shots frequently beating Rangarao at the net. It was a gruelling match which lasted just under two hours, and though the winner played a magnificent game, the sympathy of many went to the loser whose luck seemed to have deserted him.

After losing the first set at 8—10, Gonsalvis and Pereira took the next two fairly easily while Mrs. Clayton disposed of Mrs. Row in two straight sets. The other two doubles had to be postponed owing to failing light. In the mixed event Miss Duke and Mrs. Cooper played a sound game.

RESULTS.

MEN'S SINGLES.

U. D. Rangarao beat R. S. Raja Iyer 8—6, 10—8.

MEN'S DOUBLES.

Gonsalvis and Pereira beat Puthkote and Doss 8—10, 6—2, 6—2.

Prince Ghanashyamsinghji and Rangarao vs. Mehta and Mehta, 6—3, 2—2.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Miss Duke and Bell vs. Mrs. Cooper and Gonsalvis 1—6, 3—3.

LADIES' SINGLES.

Mrs. Clayton beat Mrs. Row, 6—2, 6—2.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

Court No. 1 (8 a.m.) Miss H. B. Duke and Arnold Bell vs. Mrs. Cooper and Gonsalvis continued. (4 p.m.) Prince Ghanashyamsinghji and Rangarao vs. D. M. Mehta and Mehta (continued) followed by Okasaki and Noguchi vs. winner of the above.

Court No. 2 (4 p.m.) N. B. Bhagvat vs A. C. Pereira followed by Miss L. Talyarkhan and Powwala vs. Mrs. Row and Wagle

TENNIS IN LAHORE.

LAHORE, Feb. 11.

Dr. Gokal Chand Annual Tennis Tournament open to all amateurs resident in India commenced here in fine weather. Among those participating this year are well known amateurs Mohammad Naqi, Harish Chandra, Jagat Mohan Lal, Justice Dalip Singh, Karamat, Minck Lewis and L. Smith.

The results of the matches played in men's handicap singles on Wednesday are as follows:—(Karamat (—30) beat Guranlal scr 6—1, 6—1. P. N. Nanda (—½ 30) beat Harish Chandra (—30) 6—2, 5—7, 6—3. Kishanlal (½ 30) beat Partap Singh (½ 30) 6—3, 6—3. Davraj (—40) beat P. L. Varma (—15) 4—6, 6—1, 6—2. Maharaj Singh (—30) beat Rupchand (plus ½ 15) 6—1 6—0. S. Dutt (—½ 15) beat Jagannath (—15) 8—6, 6—1. Devraj Narang (—½ 15) beat Mohammad Akram (—½ 15) 6—4, 6—3.—A. P.

BADMINTON AT BANDRA.

The following are the results of the All-Bandra Open Badminton Tournaments:—

F. D'Silva and J. E. Rodricks beat Thomas D'Souza and T. B. D'Souza 21-10, 21-7.

J. A. Ali and M. Tyabji beat A. Fernandes and S. Netto 21-5, 21-0.

W. D. D'Souza and J. F. D'Souza beat D. E. Pereira and A. Mendes 21-3, 21-6.

H. Theodore and V. Vaz beat N. V. Pai and S. G. Palekar 21-8, 21-14.

J. N. Mandekar and K. C. Gharpure beat B. S. Carvalho and J. D. Gomes 21-12, 21-15.

A. N. Futehally and M. S. Mohamadi beat J. A. Pereira and D. S. Pereira 21-2, 21-4.

M. N. Rana and H. D. Dastoor beat A. G. Kazi and T. J. Pradhan 21-2, 21-7.

J. A. Gomes and S. W. Hodges beat A. J. Soares and D. M. D'Souza 21-19, 21-3.

Theodore Saldanha beat S. J. Peters 21-18, 21-13.

J. A. Gomes beat D. S. Talpade 21-8, 21-10.

The following are the results of the Schoolboys' Tournament:—

Anthony D'Abree beat Arthur D'Silva 21-13, 21-2.

Aloysius Fernandes beat Allan D'Silva 21-17, 17-21, 21-14.

Extensive preparations are being made for the celebration of the Punjab Health Week which will be held in 88 towns.

15 Punjab taxi drivers were placed on Wednesday, before the Deputy Commissioner, South District, Calcutta, on a charge of rioting and assaulting six Constables at Alipore. The accused were remanded into Police custody.

At a meeting of the Surendranath Memorial Fund, Lord Sinha presiding, Sir Provash Mitter and Sir R. N. Mukerjee were appointed Trustees and they decided to transfer the fund to the Balgatchia Medical College for a separate ward to be styled as "The Surendranath Banerjee Maternity Ward."

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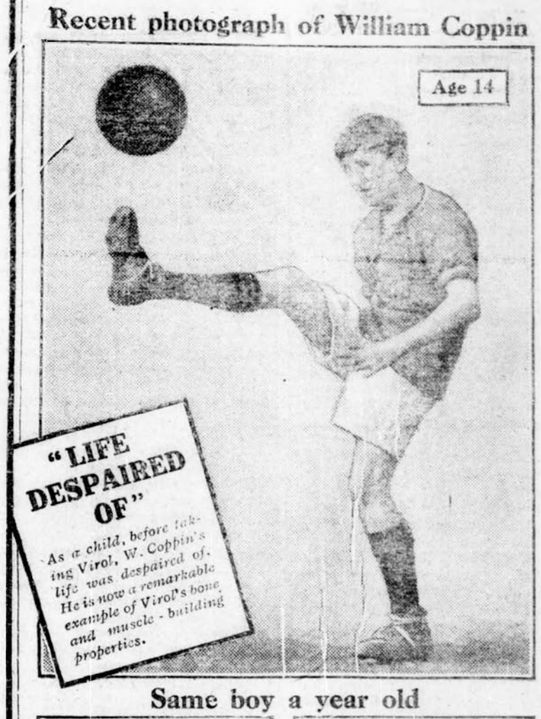
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SAVAGE PROCEDURE OF UNION PARLIAMENT.

CAPE TIMES' CROCODILE TEARS.

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 11.

"We must confess to having read it with dismay and apprehension" says the "Cape Times" commenting on the Asiatic Bill. The paper proceeds to point out that there have been expectations that Government might found some way of having its will with the Indian question and yet found means of mitigating the impression of severity upon the Indian community which the Bill introduced in the last session has undoubtedly left upon many earnest minds. But Government made no attempt, whatever, to modify the Bill and the only material alteration imposes wholly novel restrictions upon the Indians in the Cape.

SAVAGE PROCEDURE.

The procedure is utterly unexpected for which there is no vestige of jurisdiction and whihc the paper describes as savage and wanton. The paper offers an explanation which, however, it hesitates to believe namely that it is a riposte against Dr. Abdur Rahman's activities. It declares that his language in India was extreme and mischievous to a degree. The "Times" hopes that this is not so, but declares it looks very much like it.

The paper further declares that the agitation in India against the alleged breach of faith implicit in the Bill has been unscrupulous, untruthful, extraordinarily virulent and partisan. But that is no excuse for what must inevitably have a look of Governmental deed—petty reprisal against the Cape Indians. There is neither sense nor justice in it. It will be fought by the Cape members with all their strength and the "Times:" hopes that they have the support of many members from other provinces. —Reuter.

APPEAL FOR CROWN'S VETO.

I. I. C. ASSOCIATION'S WIRE TO VICEROY.

The Council of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association has addressed the following telegram to the Viceroy:—

"The Council of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association begs to call your Excellency's attention to the fact that the Colour Bar Bill just passed in the South African Assembly is the first of its kind and is expressly directed against non-white peoples, and as such, as your Excellency observed while opening the Legislative Assembly, is fundamentally inconsistent with the principles which bind the Empire together. The Council of the Association, therefore, considers this to be the appropriate occasion for the exercise of the power of veto vested in His Imperial Majesty and earnestely beseeches your Excellency to be pleased to urge His Majesty's Government to take necessary steps to prevent this catastrophe, dangerous alike to the Indians in South Africa and to the integrity of the Empire."

AREAS RESERVATION BILL

MR. ANDREWS ON REDRAFTED SEC. 10

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 10.

Mr. C. F. Andrews, interviewed stated that after careful consideration of the new draft Areas Reservation Bill he was certain that the redrafted section 10, subsection 1, was really intended to mitigate any hardship that might occur between the passing of the Bill and the establishment of reserved areas. It was a method of helping to tide over this intervening period, and he did not think that it, in any way, implied that a succession of leases of five years' duration could be taken up by anyone outside the reserved areas after they had been established.—Reuter.

S. AFRICAN LABOUR PARTY.

TO RECEIVE MR. ANDREWS.

Mr. C. F. Andrews cables from Cape Town under date February 11:—

The South African Labour Party and Trades Union Council have finally decided to receive me as the representatives of the All-India Trades Union Congress.

The date, however, is not decided.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Lancelot Sanderson, Chief Justice of Bengal, was received in audience by the King on Wednesday.

Lord and Lady Lytton left Howrah on Thursday morning for Agra by a special train.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Wilson attended the Races on Thursday, the 11th February.

The Governor of Bombay attended the District Grand Lodge at the Masonic Hall on Thursday, the 11th February.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

LONDON, Febry. 10.

According to the Board of Trade returns for January, imports amounted to 118 million sterling, exports 60 millions and re-exports 12 million sterling, compared with 129 millions, 69 millions and 13 millions, respectively, in January, 1925.—Reuter's Special.

MUSSOLINI ON WAR PATH

REPEATS HIS PREVIOUS UTTERANCE.

"IGNOBLE ANTI-ITALIAN AGITATION"

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Rome.—The verbal duel between Sgr. Mussolini and Dr. Stresemann was continued to-day, when in a speech in a crowded and applauding Senate the Premier replied to "Dr. Stresemann's long and rambling utterance". He said his first speech was "not an improvised one, but one patiently meditated during the six months of an ignoble anti-Italian agitation."

He expressed the opinion that few speeches had more powerful and swifter effect on the Italian soul and European opinion than his —a fact which showed how necessary it was in order to clear up the situation which was gradually getting worse, and might have resulted in events of exceptional gravity. He confirmed the sentiments uttered in his previous speech including the passage in it in which he said that Fascist Italy could, if necessary, carry the tri-colour beyond the frontier. Dr. Stresemann could interpret that as he wished, but the Italians would interpret it as signifying that Italy would never suffer violation of treaties which guaranteed her frontiers. Sgr. Mussolini denied that Dr. Stresemann had disowned the anti-Italian campaign in Germany.

Sgr. Mussolini concluded by saying that Germany was trying to assume both inside and outside the League of Nations the spiritual guardianship of all Germans throughout the world.

VOTE OF TYROLESE DIST USELESS.

He replied explicitly that Italy would never accept any discussion of the matter in any Assembly or Council. Consequently, any vote of the Tyrolese Diet was quite useless.

At the close of the speech there were unprecedented scenes. The whole House, which is usually quiet and undemonstrative, rose thrice and gave the Premier an ovation.

(Note.—Sgr. Mussolini's reference to the Tyrolese Diet is elucidated by a Paris message of February 9th which stated that President Stumpf in the Tyrolean Diet, referring to the possible advance of the Italian front, said he would ask the Austrian Federal Government to see whether the question should not be submitted to the League of Nations.)—Reuter.

ITALO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

NO IMPROVEMENT IN MUSSOLINI'S LATEST SPEECH.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Berlin.—The strained Italo-German relations have not been improved by Sgr. Mussolini's latest speech though the tone thereof is considered as a vast improvement on his original outburst. But it is pointed out that he has not withdrawn a jot from the standpoint that the Southern Tyrol must completely be Italianised entirely disregarding the wishes of the German minority. The German Government is not expected again to reply to Sgr. Mussolini.—Reuter.

ITALY AND BRITAIN.

MUSSOLINI ON ADVANTAGES OF RECIPROCITY.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

London.—Italy's common interested with Britain is the theme of a statement of Sgr. Mussolini specially designed for publication in England. He declares by a disposition that the spirit of the two nations is complementary and both will reap the advantages by more intimate reciprocity.—Reuter.

ATTEMPTS ON DE RIVERA'S LIFE.

REPORT CONFIRMED.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Paris.—That several attempts on the life of the Prime Minister, De Rivera were made during his visit to Barcelona is confirmed by a message to "Le Journal" from Barcelona which says there were seven bomb explosions in diverent parts of the town one outside the building while De Rivera was wighin it and another on the railway few miles from the station as De Rivera was about to entrain for Madrid. The outrages are attributed to the Syndicalists and the Catalan Extremists on the eve of the trial of those implicated in the attempt to assassinate De Rivera in the Garras Tunnel last year.—Reuter.

CONGRATULATION TO MR. HORNIMAN.

The following resolution was passed unanimously at a meeting of the Cochin Journalists' Association held on Friday, the 5th instant, at Ernakulam:—

"The Cochin Journalists' Association, places on record its heartiest felicitations on the return to India of Mr. Benjamin Guy Horniman after seven years of enforced exile in England to resume his journalistic activities in this country, and hereby conveys to him the Association's best wishes for his long life and happiness."

CHINESE BOYCOTT OF BRITISH TRADE

NEGOTIATIONS BREAK DOWN

"CANTON UNDER BLIND INFLUENCES"

LONDON, Febry. 10.

Replying to a batch of questions in the House of Commons regarding the boycott of British trade in South China Sir A. Chamberlain said at the beginning of the year it had seemed likely that negotiations between Hong-Kong and Canton would be successful, but they had unfortunately broken down in a manner which must make clear to the rest of China and indeed to the whole world that the Canton Government was temporarily under such blindly anti-British influences that it was not open to a reasonable settlement. The position in the rest of China was different, and trade conditions were improving, and order was being re-established. He expressed admiration for the courage and resource with which Hong-Kong and the British communities in Canton and Swatow faced so serious a situation. He added that he would be continuing to give the whole question his close attention.—Reuter.

"BRITISH TRADERS AS COOLIES."

LOST PRESTIGE IN CHINA

Sir Robert Waley Cohen, a director of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, uttered a grave warning concerning the desperate position of British interests in South China. He denounced the supineness of the Government and the absence of any effective policy, and gave further instances of the humiliations suffered by British subjects in South China, and of the collapse of British prestige. He said, according to the "Morning Post":—

"If we have reached a stage in the history of the world, when the British Empire can be flouted, as it is being flouted by China, it is but a poor lookout for the the future. There is every reason for moving with the other great nations towards peace. But when one of our most prosperous colonies, which has attracted the admiration of the world, is insulted and threatened in every possible way, it is a poor policy for us to turn round to the rest of the world and ask what they are going to do to help us. It is up to the British Government to say what it is going to do, and to appeal to all friendly nations to support us.

PRIDE AND INTEREST.

"Apart from national pride—which until to-day has been worthy of some consideration—there is also the material point of view. A great number of British steamers are being laid idle, and the immense trade which it was hoped to develop in China in the new century is being threatened with extinction. British trade in China is being threatened by opposing political forces, which are encouraged by the lack of any serious resistance on the part of the British Government.

"These are the facts of the present situation in China, and they are gravely disquieting to all trading interests in the Far East."

JEERED AT BY CHINESE.

As further evidence of the gravity of the situation in Hong Kong, Sir Robert Cohen read extracts from his last written communications from the colony. The letter, written by the firm's representative in Hong Kong, gave a vivid description of the difficulties encountered by a Mr. Cadman in running a motor-boat with his own hands to maintain communication with the British settlement at Shameen. The following are extracts from the letter:

Our staff, living in the settlement and requiring food, have had to carry it daily themselves. They have had to do all their own cooking, washing, and housework, and, in addition, have had to undertake military duties in defending the settlement.

At Swatow, to which also the revolutionary Government in Canton has extended its influence, they also have to work a launch in order to maintain their food supplies They have to convey food from a steamer which brings it from Hong Kong to the shore. Under the rays of a hot sun they have to go down into the hold and dig out their supplies.

"CUT" BY OTHER FOREIGNERS.

Foreigners other than British, fearing that if they were seen speaking to a Britisher their food supplies and servants would be withdrawn, treat the British as outcasts. The Britishers are therefore left alone, carrying their foot about amidst the jeers of the Chinese, who are delighted to see the British foreigners forced to work as coolies, and often throwing missiles at them.

This description will enable you to realise that not only are Britishers excluded from trading in most of the ports of South China but that they are humiliated in every possible way and treated as outcasts, with whom the Chinese decline to have any dealings.

We do not pretend that this attitude is the natural or genuine one, or the one which every Chinese wishes to adopt, but the Russians in Canton have educated up certain strike leaders, and these men are now intimidating the whole population, and making sufficient money to make them anxious to maintain it as long as possible.

CHINESE PIRACY.

FRENCH STEAMER LOOTED.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Hongkong.—Seven armed pirates attacked the French steamer "Jade" from Hongkong to Wongchauwan, held up the Captain and the crew, forced the Captain at the point of the revolver to steer the ship to the Bias Bay, transferred 8,000 dollars worth of bullion to the Sampan and decamped. The crew and the passengers of the "Jade" were not molested.—Reuter.

22,100 BANKRUPTCIES IN 1 MONTH!

GERMAN FINANCE MINISTER'S TASK

FIRST READING OF BUDGET PASSED

LONDON, Febry. 10.

The Reichstag began to-day the first reading of the Budget for the year 1926 which balances at 7,400 million marks.

Herr Reinhold, the Finance Minister outlined the Government's programme, and said that there were 22,100 bankruptcies last month, and approximately 2,000,000 unemployed. The chief causes of the crisis were lack of capital and excessive taxation. Various economies would be effected. The extraordinary expenditure would henceforth be covered by loans, and a bill would be introduced to reduce the present one per cent turn-over tax to 6 per cent and the Companies Fusion Tax from 2 to 1 per cent.—Reuter.

KARACHI-RANGOON AERIAL SERVICE.

TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY GOVT. OF INDIA.

LONDON, Febry. 10.

Amsterdam.—Sir Sefton Brancker passed through the Tague on his return from Sweden. Interviewed, he explained details of the proposed Cairo-Karachi Air Route, and added that the Karachi-Rangoon service would be undertaken by the Government of India.

Sir Sefton Brancker also discussed with M. Plesman, Manager of the Dutch Aerial Navigation Company, the possibility of running a service from Singapore to Australia, via the Dutch East Indies which, however, would be conditional on the result of the negotiations between the Dutch and Dutch East Indies Governments. Later, Sir Sefton sailed from Rotterdam for America where he hopes, incidentally, to meet Fokker.—Reuter.

ARMED CONSTABLE RUNS AMOK.

KILLS ONE AND WOUNDS SEVEN.

CHITTAGONG, Feb. 10.

A report from Rangamati in the Chittagong hill tracts states that last Wednesday night an armed constable shot dead another constable and wounded four students. He next attacked Mr. Surendranath Roy, Sub-Divisional Officer. and Mr. Stevens, Deputy Commissioner, seriously wounding the latter with a bayonet. Subsequently he went to the Kali's temple and seriously wounded the priest. The man has been arrested.—A. P.

CALCUTTA SHOOTING TRAGEDY.

BOMBAY ENGINEER ON TRIAL.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 11.

The story of a shooting tragedy in North Calcutta was narrated to-day at the High Court Sessions before Mr. Justice Buckland and a special jury when a respectably connected Bengalee named Ramapati Roy was placed on his trial on charges of murder, culpable homicide and grievous hurt. The prisoner was a qualified electrical engineer and held a position of trust in Standard Mills, Bombay, where he generally resided. In October last he came to Calcutta on leave and contracted friendship with a woman. On the night of 5th November last Ramapati with three friends went to that woman's house, but found two other men in her room. His friends waited outside. Ramapati went inside the room and there was a quarrel between Ramapati and the woman. He went away, but returned soon. The quarrel renewed on his reappearance and there was a mutual exchange of abuses. It was alleged that Ramapati fired at the woman four times and she died soon afterwards. He next turned to one of the men in the room named Laxminarain whom he considered to be his rival in love and fired at him, the bullet hitting his chest. Ramapati's two friends who were outside came in and one of them remonstrated with him and he too was shot at. Ramapati next turned the weapon on himself and fired. The police just then arrived on the scene. They sent the wounded to hospital and took charge of the pistol which belonged to Ramapati. The trial is proceeding.—A.P.

LEAGUE EXPENSES.

QUOTAS OF BRITAIN, FRANCE AND ITALY.

LONDON, Febry. 10.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Frederick Hall, Sir A. Chamberlain said the approximate totals of contributions by Britain, France and Italy, respectively, towards expenses of the League of Nations since its inception were £432,000, £396,000 and £228,000, respectively, including the cost of the International Court of Justice. —Reuter's Special.

GERMANY AND LEAGUE

MOMENTOUS DIPLOMATIC STRUGGLE.

FRANCE WORKING FOR ANTI-GERMAN MAJORITY

LONDON, Feb. 11.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Diplomatic Correspondent says that Germany's application for admission to the League of Nations entailing her possession of a permanent seat on the League Council has led to a momentous diplomatic struggle.

France is leading the movement in favour of increase in the number of permanent seats on the Council from four to eight by the addition of Spain, Poland and Brazil besides Germany and increase of the full League Council, including elected as well as permanent members, from ten to fifteen with the object of securing an anti-German majority in the Council.

DANGER TO BRITAIN.

It is felt in London that there is a danger that Britain's position in the counsels of the League might thus be ultimately weakened and the original character, structure and the purpose of the Council transformed. It is pointed out in connection with this proposal that the British Dominions who are all members of the Assembly should be entitled to a seat on rotation on any enlarged Council but objections would be immediately raised to any such proposal.—Reuter.

MUSTAFA KAMAL PASHA.

TO PAY UNOFFICIAL VISIT TO LONDON.

LONDON, Feb. 10.

The "Morning Post's" Diplomatic Correspondent says he is authoritatively confirmed that Mustapha Kemal Pasha intends shortly to pay an unofficial visit to London.—Reuter.

LORD READING'S FUTURE.

POSSIBLE AMBASSADOR AT PARIS.

According to an "Englishman" cable the "Weekly Dispatch" states Lord Reading is not inclined to re-enter politics when he returns to England. He may, like his predecessor, Lord Hardinge, become Ambassador at Paris.

INDIA STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE.

WILL IT BE RETAINED ?

LONDON, Feb. 10.

The "Morning Post" says that the British and Indians are waiting with interest to see whether Government proposes to retain the India Standing Joint Committee, composed of 12 members of both Houses which was not automatically re-established at the beginning of the year.

It will be remembered that the Committee offered certain advice in connection with the Indian Civil Service Act of last year which was inacceptable to Lord Birkenhead.—Reuter.

QUININE SUPPLY PROBLEM.

EFFORTS AT SECURING A SUBSTITUTE.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

The Geneva correspondent of the "Morning Post" states that the League of Nations Commission on Malaria has reported that nine-tenths of the world's annual production of cinchona bark, totalling 10,600 tons, is produced in the Dutch East Indies, and the demand for quinine considerably exceeds the annual supply of 600,000 kilograms.

In view of the failure of efforts to secure reduction in prices and increased production, the Commission has started experiments to decide whether cinchonine and other alkaloids and combination of cinchona alkaloids cannot be used instead of pure quinine with the object of securing a substitute, and thereby breaking the quinine monopoly through economic forces.—Reuter.

LORD BIRKENHEAD'S HEALTH.

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Lord Birkenhead has been confined to bed with chill. He was much better yesterday, but will remain indoors for a few days.—Reuter.

LORD IRWIN IN HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Lord Irwin was sponsored to-day by Lord Mildmay of Flete and Lord Derwent and introduced to the House of Lords with traditional ceremony.—Reuter.

CABLE ITEMS.

Airman Franco has arrived at Buesnos Aires from Monte Vicso.

Madrid.—Amnesty for the persons convicted of a wide range of minor offences has been proclaimed to celebrate Franco's arrival at Buenos Aires.—Reuter.

Warsaw.—The Cabinet has approved of a Bill ratifying two Franco-Polish treaties related to the Locarno agreements.—Reuter.

NON-VIOLENCE IN INDIA.

ITS ABIDING PLACE IN NATIONAL STRUGGLE

MAHATMA'S UNFLICHING FAITH IN N. C. O.

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 11.

Replying to a correspondent from Sweden who also sends extracts from a Swedish newspaper for reply, Gandhiji says in to-day's "Young India": "As to that question I must repeat that I retain my faith intact in the original programme of Non-Co-operation. I also feel that it has done a distinct service to the National cause. Institutions, when attacked, do not retain the glamour they had before, but I recognize, that reaction too has been great. But, I am confident that at proper time the whole programme is bound to be renewed, in a modified form, it may be, but retaining its essential character. Meanwhile, as a practical man, I help my old comrades in every humble way, I can, without sacrificing my own principles or practice."

NO ROOM FOR ENGLISHMEN AS MASTERS.

In reply to the newspaper extract the Mahatma says: : "I hold the spinning wheel quite consistent with the existence of railways, nor have I ever suggested or contemplated turning out of the English from India. What I do contemplate is a radical change in the English outlook upon Government of India. The present unnatural and degrading system of subtle slavery must be changed at any cost. There is no room for Englishmen as masters. There is room for them if they will remain as friends and helpers. The Non-Co-operation movement is not based on brute force or hatred. It does not aim at destroying the tyrant. It is a movement of self-purification. It, therefore, seeks to convert the tyrant.

My own opinion is that the movement has in no way failed. Non-violence has found an abiding place in India's struggle for freedom. That programme could not be finished in a year's time merely shows that people could not cope with the mighty upheaval during such a short time. But it is a leaven which is silently but surely working its way among the masses."—F. P. I.

ADVANCE KHADDAR !

MYSORE'S ENCOURAGEMENT.

MADRAS, Feb. 10.

Mysore Dubar has been evincing increasing interest in the Khaddar movement. The Maharaja has introduced a number of Charkhas into his palace Body Guard Lines and elsewhere. His Highness has provided a number of Charkhas from his private purse, and has also employed trained teachers to give instruction in spinning. Advantage is being taken by families of Sowars to encourage Khaddar. The palace is placing orders with the Khaddar Co-operative Society. The Department of Industries has been giving Charkha demonstrations at all important fairs and are selling Charkhas of of a superior type for Rs. 2-12.0.—F.P.I.

CAPTURE OF FRONTIER DACOITS.

PESHAWAR, Feb. 11.

Owing to reports of movements of small gangs of armed dacoits, two parties of Frontier Constabulary were specially deputed to picket in the Mardan Sub Division in co-operation with the local villagers. These dispositions have proved most successful On the night of 8th February an armed gang of five men ran into a Frontier Constabulary picket on the Katlang road and lost three men wounded and captured. Their arms were also recovered. Another gang of six men on the same night walked into an abush of villagers near Amirabad some eight miles from Tangi. The villagers captured three of the gang with their arms. The remaining three managed to escape only to run into a Frontier Constabulary patrol next morning when they all the three were arrested with their weapons.—A.P.

DR. BESANT AT HYDERABAD.

HYDERABAD SIND, Feb 11.

Dr. Besant arrived here to-day from Bombay and was received at the station by a large crowd.

Addressing a large gathering of people at the Mirpurkhas station Dr. Besant said she did not expect the Commonwealth in India Bill to pass through Parliament and therefore, she wanted an agitation to follow after the rejection of the Bill. She laid stress on the constitutional principle of grievances before supplies and the necessity of throwing out the Budget.

The Karachi and the Kotri Municipalities have unanimously passed resolutions presenting addresses to Dr. Besant.—A.P.

DR. MARTIN'S WITHDRAWS RESIGNATION.

Lisbon.—Doctor Martins, Governor of Portuguese India, has agreed to withdraw his resignation.—Reuter.

NEXT CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF DELHI

DELHI, Feb. 11.

The Viceroy has appointed Mr. A. M. Stow, I.C.S., Commissioner, Rawalpindi Division as Chief Commissioner of Delhi, when the Hon. Mr. Abbott vacates the post early in April next.—A.P.

SHARKS IN BACK BAY?

HUGE CARCASE ON CHOUPATTY FORESHORE.

HOW IT CAME THERE ?

Much excitement prevailed yesterday (Thursday) on the Choupatty foreshore at the sight of the carcase of a shark about seven feet long and five feet broad. The huge size of this voracious dead creature can be gauged from the fact that the diameter of its open jaw is about a foot and a half and the length of its sharp teeth about an inch and a half each.

How exactly it happened to reach the shore is not definitely known, but it is surmised that the shark struck a fishing boat in the Back Bay and met its fate at the hands of the fishermen who carried the corpse to the shore.

It will be remembered that swimmers lately used to report the sight of living sharks in the Back Bay waters and that not long ago Mr. Madhowji Dharamsy Morarji narrowly escaped from the jaw of one in Juhu, with only a bite.

CHARNI ROAD GARDEN.

THREATENED VANDALISM.

The Givernment of Bombay have slightly altered their programme of vandalism of the Charii Road Garden. Though their decision, given below from a Press Note, does not, in the words of the Deputation of the Corporation which waited upon the Governor in January last, meet with the views of the Corporation. The modification "is a graceful concession."

"After discussion (between the deputation and the Governor) it was announced that Government would give up the idea of constructing the quarters for the Superintendent and the Manager, thus making available an area of 2,140 square yards for recreation purposes and add a piece of land between the boundary of the Garden and the Development Department's Railway line comprising an area of 6,900 square yards.

"Out of the total area of the garden as it exists to-day comprising 26,600 square yards, the Press will occupy 8,120 square yards, while the area which will be added to the garden by way of compensation will be as stated above 6,900 square yards.

"Government have no intention of building further on this land and feel confident that no future Government will consider any proposal to do so without the strongest reasons."

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

NEW DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER.

At the meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on the 9th instant the following were the main items of business disposed of:—

On the recommendation of the Finance and General Committee, Mr. G. E. Bennett, Senior Executive Engineer in the service of the Calcutta Port Commissioners, was appointed to the vacant post of Deputy Chief Engineer, applications for which had been invited by advertisement in India and Great Britain.

In connection with the retrenchment proposals two further posts were abolished in the Revenue Audit Department and the detailed revision of grade pay of the Chief Engineer's clerical staff was approved; the resulting saving being about Rs. 10,700 per annum.

Mr. C. P. Gay, Chief Accountant, was granted 8 months' leave from 1st April, 1926, and Mr. J. F. Pereira, Deputy Accountant was appointed to act as Chief Accountant, subject to the sanction of Government.

MOTOR CARS AND ACCIDENTS.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Committee appointed by the Bombay Government Gazette" of 28th January says that it is proposed to reduce the speed of motor vehicles from 15 miles to 12 miles an hour within the limits of the Mahableshwar Municipal District or on the Old Mahableshwar Road between the Mahableshwar Municipal limits and Arthur's seat.

Another notification appearing in the "Bombay Government Gazette" of February 4 proposes to add the following rule to the Bombay Motor Vehicles Rules:—

"The driver of a motor vehicle shall immediately report to the nearest police station any accident involving injury to a human being. In cases where more than one motor vehicles are concerned it shall be incumbent on the driver of each motor vehicle to make the report required under this rule."

RY. GUARD BRUTALLY MURDERED.

The Assistant Traffic Superintendent B. N. Railway wires from Bhojudih (B.N.R.) under date 10th February:—Between 8-5 p.m. and 8-20 p.m. this evrning Mr. Gordon, guard of 119 Down Dunya to Bhojudih passenger train was brutally murdered while the train was moving between Sheur Budi and Bhojudih. The Railway cash safe containing cash approximately amounting to Rs 1800 was robbed. The train was pulled up by dacoits near outer signal at Bhojudih by destroying vacuum from the brake van.

WAR AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.

NEED OF CO-OPERATIVE SANATORIUMS

DELHI, Feb. 11.

Dr. C. Muthu gave an address to the members of Delhi Medical Association, in the course of which he said that tuberculosis was spreading in India, especially, in chief towns and cities more among women than men and was extending to th evillages. It takes a toll of a million lives every year. Almost every family in the towns is directly or indirectly affected by the disease. Behind tubercule bacilli lie deeper causes,—a poor constitution enfeebled by poverty, overcrowding, insanitation, dust, heat, malaria and such social customs as child marriage and *purdah*. There was, Dr. Muthu maintained, no short cut to its cure and prevention. The establishment of sanatoriums will take us back to nature and teach patients the right way of living. They will serve more as educational than healing centres for some time to come. To deal with the problem effectually we must begin with the expectant mother and feed her and look after her, so that the coming generation may be stronger and more resistant to tuberculosis. The Doctor strongly advocated co-operativ esanitorium outside every town owned by medical men of the district where they can treat their own patients on open air lines.—A.P.

LIBEL ON YOUNG BURMA.

CHANCELLOR'S APPEAL TO REMOVE THE STIGMA.

RANGOON, Feb. 10.

The Convocation of the University of Rangoon was held to-day. The total number of recipients of degrees and diplomas including nine women recipients was 83, the Governor, in the course of his address, after referring to the activities of the University during the past year which included the provision of accommodation for students in healthy surroundings and the introduction of short courses for teachers, appealed to all classes to assist in raising the University which was still without a local habitation worthy of Burma and Rangoon.

PLAY YOUR PART.

The Chancellor concluding his speech at the University Convocation to-day said:—'Such in outline are some of the principal activities of our time, and now, graduates and students, I ask you to play your part in the development of your country. Good men are wanted for the teaching, engineering forestry and medical professions. You must not rest till charges of corruptions are no longer heard of in this land. I read the other day with sorrow and with stern regret in a local newspaper that inducement of extra income in the shape of bribes played no small part among young Burmans in attracting them to clerical posts and mykooships. See to it, I charge you, that this is a libel on Young Burma. I belive in young Burma. The task before you is exacting. The only road to success is constant application and hard work. Make your University Training Corps, a Corps of which you and your people may be proud. At present, it is, I am concerned to hear, rather neglected. Above all and before all, never forget your University for you are her children and she has set on you the stamp of her upbringing, her approval and her hope."

CALCUTTA CORPORATION BUDGET ESTIMATES.

CALCUTTA, Feb 9.

The budget estimates of the Calcutta Corporation presented to-day show a closing balance in the revised estimates for the current year of Rs. 40,91,000. The budget estimates for the next year show a receipt of Rs. 2,61,13,000 and expenditure Rs. 271,39,000 thus leaviing a closing balance of Rs. 30,65,000. The expenditure is ten and a quarter lakhs more than the receipts.—A. P.

PROHIBITION IN MADRAS PRESIDENCY.

MADRAS, Feb. 10.

The Madras Legislative Council resumed discussion of the resolutions on the Excise Advisory Committee's report. There were as many as six resolutions under discussion, all of which were lost when put to vote except the one which recommended a gradual decrease in the number of shops with total prohibition as the goal to be reached in 20 years, and another which recommended the removal of toddy shops from the 'cheries" of depressed classes. The resolution on prohibition within 20 years was pressed to a division and when poll was taken it was found that all members on the official block excepting two and the united Nationalists and Swarajists were neutral. 39 members voted for the resolution and 6 against, while 41 remained neutral.—A. P.

RS. 25,000 CLAIM FOR ALLEGED DEFAMATION.

MADRAS, Feb. 10.

His Lordship Mr. Justice Beasley adjourned *sine die* the case in which Rao Bahadur C. Kandaswami Chetty has sued the Hon. Raja of Panagal, Chief Minister to the Government of Madras, for damages to the extent of Rs. 25,000 for the alleged defamatory statements made by the defendant in a speech he delivered on 1st October, 1922. His Lordship to-day allowed an amendment to the written statement of the defendant in order to put in the plea of justification which had been originally omitted from the statement. The plaintiff was, however, allowed as costs a sum of three hundred rupees for the amendment. —A. P.

NOBODY TO BLAME!

KASHELI BRIDGE EXTRAVAGANCE.

MUNICIPAL EXECUTIVE EXONERATED.

The Committee appointed by the Bombay Municipal Corporation to consider and report on the allegations of "unbusiness-like" and "irresponsible" conduct on the part of the Municipal Executive in the construction of the new bridges at Kasheli in connection with the Tansa Completion Works have submitted their report. The Committee consisted of Messrs. J. Baptista, R. H. A. Delves, R. S. Asavale, R. A. Gole, B. T. Desai, K. F. Nairman and Dr. K. E. Dadachanji.

TRIPLICATION OF TANSA MAINS.

The Triplication of the Tansa Mains was sanctioned by Corporation Resolution of 25th October 1920. The original estimate was Rs. 447 lakhs, which gradually grew to Rs. 528 lakhs. This was due to certain desirable alterations of the original scheme sanctioned by the Corporation. The most important change was the abandonment of the proposal to strengthen the old Kasheli Bridges for new ones to be constructed under the Revised Tansa Completion Project. The strengthening of the three old Kasheli Bridges was estimated to cost 4 1/2 lakhs whereas the two new bridges were estimated to cost Rs. 25 lakhs which gradually grew from 25 lakhs to 34.18 lakhs, 45 lakhs and 63 lakhs which was reduced by the scrutiny of a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee by 2.79 lakhs. The final estimate is Rs. 60,69,295 inclusive of the cost of roadway amounting to Rs. 13,00,000 which amount has already been paid by Government.

The contract for strengthening the old bridges was given to Messrs. Braithwaite & Co., and they had already started work, and purchased about 620 tons of steel when the Corporation resolved upon the project of the new Bridges. This abnormal inflation in the estimated costs of the new Bridges was thoroughly investigated by a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee. Counsel being consulted expressed the opinion that the construction of the roadway was "ultra vires" of the Corporation. The whole affair was then placed before the Corporation together with the Commissioner's letter of 30th July 1924, and the matter was referred to the present Committee by the Corporation for consideration and report upon the points specified.

In their report the Committee state that they are satisfied that there was no protest from Mr. MacDonald Clark, Consulting Engineer. "The fact is that Mr. MacDonald Clark verbally offered to re-design the bridge about 6 months after the Corporation had sanctioned the design, after consulting him and on his considered recommendation."

CONTRACTORS NOT TO BLAME.

The Committee are satisfied that the bridges as designed are not unnecessarily strong or beyond the requirements of the pipe track and the roadway. The Committee have also come to the conclusion that no share of the responsibility for the extra cost of the building of the roadway can be laid at the door of the Contractors. The report in conclusion says:—

"The responsibility for undertaking the roadway, which is "ultra vires" of the Corporation, rests on the Commissioner for recommending it and on the Corporation for sanctioning it. The Councillors who voted for it would be responsible for refunding the expenditure unless indemnified by Government. As Government have now paid their estimated share of the cost in full the latter responsibility no longer exists. The Committee thinks that this joint undertaking of a bridge and roadway is an excellent example of co-operation between Government and the Corporation and it is desirable to amend the Municipal Act to render such joint undertakings "intra vires" of the Corporation.

NO LOSS TO CORPORATION.

"The Committee find that no loss has been caused to the Corporation. There is no financial gain by expediting the completion of the works as at first claimed by the Commissioner upon the report of the Chief Accountant. There is no analogy between the Corporation and business concerns. The Corporation can tax ratepayers, or enhance meter rates without supplying a single extra drop of water. Business concerns could not do so. The longer they take the greater the capital expenditure as interest is to be added to capital. In the case of the Corporation interest is paid from revenue by raising the water tax and the mtter rates. The comparison between Commercial Companies and the Corporation is unwarranted. Apart from financial gain, no doubt the citizens, trade and industry profited by the earlier supply, but this cannot be computed in Rupees, Annas and Pies.

"In conclusion the Committee would like to mention that they have considered the whole question very carefully and they are satisfied that the conduct of the Executive cannot be stigmatised as "unbusiness-like and irresponsible."

THE WEATHER.

SIMLA, Feb. 11.

The western disturbance passed away after giving local precipitation in Baluchistan, North-west Frontier Province and Kashmir.

Chaman reports half an inch, Sonamarg and Parachinar each quarter inch

Forecast.—Decrease in Baluchistan and Frontier.

COUNCIL OF STATE

GRAVE-YARD ATMOSPHERE

WHO WILL LEAD THE NON-OFFICIALS ?

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, Feb. 10.

The atmosphere in the Council of State to-day was very similar to that of a grave-yard. There was perfect silence; none spoke on the non-official benches. Two official motions were carried and everything was worse than in the previous Council. But, still, the prospects for Government are not so happy as could be imagined from the first sitting. For, immediately after the Council adjourned to-day the non-officials (such of them as are present in Delhi) discussed to-day Mr. P. C. Desikachariar's proposal for the formation of a popular party. Mr. G. S. Khaparde, the oldest member on the non-official side, presided over the meeting and there was general agreement on the need for the formation of a party in the Council of State. But since the attendance was not large (there being only eleven members including eight Swarajists present) a bigger meeting is to be held on the 15th instant to consider the desirability of forming a party and to frame rules and regulations. Meanwhile, the Swarajists who form a separate section by reason of their creed elected Mr. V. Ramadas Pantulu as their leader and Mr. Govindas as the whip of the party. It appears to be a child's play but in a Council of sixty with a good dose of nominated element, besides solid official benches, if there is an assured vote of even twenty on the popular side it will make Government think twice before they begin to flaunt them and contemptuously regard their resolutions and questions as they did in the previous Council and some doubting Thomases who have been voting with Government on the belief that their vote with the non-officials would not alter the decisions would think of casting their lot definitely on the popular side.

TEST OF VOTING.

A test of voting tendencies will be available on Monday when Mr. Sethna's resolution for immediate appointment of a Royal Commission on the Reforms will come up for discussion. Of course, Rajas and Maharajas who somehow get into the Council of State, but are never present in any session except for the Viceregal functions will be absent. But, all the same the normal strength of the non-official vote on all important questions can be guaged on Monday. Sir Alexander Muddiman will be present to repeat the Viceroy's plea for genuine and whole-hearted co-operation from all sections of the people before a Commission could be appointed earlier than the statutory period. From what I gather it seems that if the Swarajist amendment for a Round Table Conference be moved and defeated the Swarajists may have to vote for Mr. Sethna's resolution which too, it is feared, will be lost by a majority of about ten votes.

WHO WILL LEAD?

The non-officials will be just over 15 and if they form a really strong party with a driving force at their head there is a chance of their turning the scales against Government now and then. But Sir Sankaran Nair's attitude is problematical; no one can guess which side he will join when he comes to Delhi. Mr. Sethna can lead, but he has too many irons in the fire just at present. Mr. Khaparde is too old to be troubled for any useful purpose. Mr. Ramadas Pantulu cannot lay claim to leadership of the non-official party before the all India figures like Sir Sankaran Nair and Mr. Sethna. Everything depends on finding a leader who while keeping the Independents firm can carry the Swarajists with him. Sir Sankaran Nair is capable of it, but "will he?" is the question.

WASHINGTON CONVENTIONS.

JAPAN'S POSITION EXPLAINED.

DELHI, Feb. 10.

In the Council of State to-day, Sir Dinshaw E. Wacha asked:—

"Has the Japanese Government failed hitherto to give legislative effect to certain resolutions of the Geneva Labour Conference passed some time since regarding shorter hours of labour, non-employment of children and women at night and other kindred matters?

"If so do Government propose drawing the attention of the coming Labour Conference to this failure? "

The Hon. Mr. A. H. Ley replied:—

"The Hon. Member is presumably referring to the draft Conventions adopted at the first session of the International Labour Conference held at Washington in 1919 relating to hours of work at night, work for women and night work for young persons. As considerable misapprehension appears to exist on the subject of these Conventions and the obligations involved in them I am glad to have this opportunity of explaining the position. No country is obliged to enforce any draft Convention adopted by an International Labour Conference, unless and until it has ratified that Convention and the question whether a Convention shall or shall not be ratified is a matter for the authorities within the country to decide. Should the competent authority decide that the Convention shall not be ratified, no legal obligation rests on that country to secure enforcement of the Convention. If a member fails to secure the effective observance of any Convention which it has ratified, any other member ratifying that Convention is entitled to file a complaint with the International Labour Office under Article 411 of the Treaty of Versailles. As, however, Japan has not ratified any of the Conventions to which I have referred no question of such a complaint can arise."—A.P.

CLAIMS AGAINST SWISS CONSUL-GENERAL.

ALLEGED PRESSURE AND PERSUASION TO WITHDRAW.

DELHI, Feb. 10.

In the Assembly to-day, Mr. Acharya asked a question regarding Mr. C. S. Sitarama Aiyer's filing of a suit against the Swiss Consul-General at Bombay. He asked Government to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that no sanction signed by a Secretary to the Government of India was given to him as required by section 86 of the Civil Procedure Code and if so why?

(b) Whether it is a fact that pressure was privately brought to bear upon Mr. Sitarama Aiyer to give up his claims for damages against the Swiss Consul-General and whether it is a fact that he was threatened by the District Magistrate of Chingleput with prosecution in this connection.

(c) Whether it is a fact that his house was searched in August last by the police and records bearing on the case were taken away.

(d) Whether it is a fact that Mr. Sitarama Aiyer was refused a passport to go to Switzerland in connection with this case and if so for what reasons.

MR. AIYER'S "DELUSIONS."

Sir Denys Bray replied:

"The Consular officers do not come within the purview of section 86 of the Civil Procedure Code as they are not diplomatic agents in any sense. There is nothing to debar Mr. Sitarama Aiyer from filing a suit against the Swiss Consul-General or, indeed, any other Consul or Consul-General in India, as he has already been informed more than once. And, it would be a kindly act on the part of the Hon. Member both to me and Mr. Aiyer if he could dispel some of the delusions under which Mr. Aiyer is suffering. As regards the rest of the question, Government have no information and no reason to believe that the allegations have any substance at all. In any case the whole matter is within the competence of the local Government to whom questions would be more suitably addressed."—A.P.

C. P. CODE AMENDMENT BILL.

CARRIED BY MAJORITY OF SEVEN.

DELHI, Feb. 10

The following is the division list on Sir Alexander Muddiman's motion for consideration of the Criminal Procedure Code amendment bill on which 52 voted for and 45 against.

Those who voted against: Mr. Rangachariar, Lala Lajpatrai, Mr. A. R. Rangaswamy Iyengar, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, Mr. Jinnah, Mr. Ramachandra Rao, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, Mr. Sarfaraz Hussain Khan, Mr. Gaya Prasad Singh, Mr. Shanmukham Chetty, Mr. Chamanlal, Mr. Venkatapati Raju, Mr. Neogy, Mr. B. Das, Lala Duni chand, Mr. Ranga Iyer, U. Tok Kiyi, Mr. M. K. Acharya, Mr. C. Duraiswamy Iyengar, Mr. Samiullah Khan, Pandit Shamalal Nehru, Pandit Shambhu Dayal Misra, Saiyid Majid Baksh, Pandit Nilkantha Das, Sardar Gulab Singh, Mr. Ambica Prasad Sinha, Pandit K. K. Malaviya, Mr. K. S. Ray, Mr. Narayan Das, Sardar V. N. Mutalik, Mr. Yacobb Ariff, Mr. Amarnath Dutt, Lala Piyare Lal, Mr. Jajodia, Mr. Talatuley, Dr. Kishanlal Nehru, Shikh Mushir Hussain Kidwai, Sir Hari Singh Gour, Mr. B. C. Pal, K. K. Chanda, Mr. Rama Iyengar, Mr. Joshi, Dr. S. K. Dutt, Dr. K. G. Lohokare, Mr. Deoki Prasad Sinha.

Ayes:—Mr. K. V. R. Reddi, Makhdum Rajan Baksh Shah, Mr. Willson, Sir Darcy Lindsay, Sir Henry Stanyon, Sir Denys Bray, Sir B. N. Mitra, Sir Alexander Muddiman, Sir Basil Blackett, Sir Charles Innes, Dr. McPhail, Mr. Cocke, Sir Willoughby Carey, Col. Crawford, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Bhore Mr. Clow, Mr. Tonkinson, Mr. Sim, Mr. Burdon, Mr. Graham, Sir T. Vivayaraghavachariar, Mr. K. S. Jatar, Mr. Calvert, Lt. Col. Owens, Mr. Neave, Mr. Vernon, Mr. Bajpai, Mr. Hudson, Sirdar B. A. Dalal, Prince Akram Hussain, Mr. Roffey, Mr. Sykes, Sir Sahibzada Abdul Quyum, Maulvi Abdul Kasem, Col. Gidney, Mr. S. N. Singh, Mr. Afzalur Rahman, Mr. Hezlett, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Husseinally, Mr. Alimuzzaman Chaudhary, Mr. Ahmad Ali Khan Haji Wazihuddin, Raja Raghunandan Parasad Singh, Saiyid Md. Ismail, Mr. N. C. Naidu, Dr. S. A. K. Jeelani, Capt. Ajab Jhan, Capt. Hira Singh and Maulvi Badiuzzaman.—A. P.

CONTEMPT OF COURT.

TEXT OF NEW BILL.

The following is the text of the Contempt of Courts Bill passed by the Indian Legislative Assembly:

Whereas doubts have arisen as to the powers of a High Court of judicature to punish contempts of subordinate Courts.

And whereas it is expedient to resolve these doubts and define and limit the powers exercisable by High Courts and Chief Courts in punishing contempts of Court; it is hereby enacted as follows:—

I (1) This Act may be called the Contempt of Courts Act 1925.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of British India.

(3) It shall come into force on such date as the Governor-General in Council may by notification in the "Gazette of India," appoint.

II (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (3), the High Courts of judicature established by letters patent shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction powers and authority, in accordance with the same procedure and practice, in respect of Contempts of Courts subordinate to them as they have and exercised in respect of contempts of themselves.

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (3) a Chief Court shall have and exercise the same jurisdiction, powers and authority, in accordance with the same procedure and practice, in respect of contempt of itself as a High Court referred to in sub-section (1).

(3) No High Court shall take cognisance of a contempt alleged to have been committed in respect of a Court subordinate to it where such contempt is an offence punishable under the Indian Penal Code.

III Save as otherwise expressly provided by any law for the time being in force, a Contempt of Court may be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months' or with fine, which may extend to two thousand rupees or with both.

Provided that such punishment may be remitted on apology being made to the satisfaction of the High Court or Chief Court, as the case may be.

INDORE COMMISSION.

PREPARATIONS FOR MAHARAJA'S JOURNEY.

FATE OF STATE PRISONERS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

INDORE, CAMP, Feb. 6.

I have already reported that when the rumour of the appointment of a Commission reached Indore on the 28th January there was much excitement. Prior to this it was persistently given out that no further action was going to be taken either by the Bombay Police or the Government of India in reference to the Bombay tragedy; the rumour, however, was confirmed on the 1st instant and created consternation in certain quarters.

It is freely stated in the town that Sir Chimanlal Setalvad and Mr. Velinker, have been briefed on behalf of the Maharaja. Mr. Kanga, the Advocate-General, will place the prosecution case before the members of the Commission. The names of Justices Sir Grimwood Mears of Allahabad and Sir Shadilal of Lahore and the Maharajas of Bikaner and Patiala are mentioned as forming the Commission. The name of the Senior Political Officer has not yet been disclosed.

The opinions of eminent English lawyers, such as Sir John Simon, Sir Patrick Hastings and Sir Edward Marshall-Hall are said to have been obtained and so far as the evidence for the defence placed before them is concerned, they seem to think that there is a good case for the defence.

WHERE THE COMMISSION WILL SIT?

The place where the Commission is to be held is not yet definitely known, but strong rumours point to Delhi. Preparations are, however, being made for His Highness' departure from Indore to the place of the proceedings.

The Maharaja is still living on a solitary hillock, some three miles out of the city, named "Vijayasane Ki Tehri." For the first time the Senior Maharani has been called in and is now living with His Highness and her two children. It is also understood that His Highness has sent for his brother, Tatya Sahib Holker, from the place of his confinement at Mundleshwar where he has been kept a close prisoner for over ten years. Another sufferer, Malhar Rao Holker, has also been shown a similar favour.

There are still some more persons who are suffering inpmrisonment on account of the escape of Mumtaz Begum, viz., Shanker Rao Gawade Mushiaha-e-Khas-Bhadur, member of the Cabinet, and Mr. Shreeram, late Household Officer. These two persons were well-known as His Highness' loyal officers, along with Mr. Gulam Mohmad.

STATE OFFICERS TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMISSION.

I learn on good authority that certain state officials are likely to figure prominently before the Commission, such as Mr. D. M. Narsing Rao, the Chief Minister, Mr. Bapua, who was acting as the Chief Minister during the period the Bawla murder took place, Mr. Gulam Mohmad the then Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Motilal Beja Bergi, Finance Minister, Mr. Sheslaker, Accountant General, Mr. Bhawani Singh, the Commander-in-Chief of the State Army, and Mr. Balwantsingh the Subha of Khargone.

The Bombay police are said to have recorded Mr. Shreeram's statement in the State Jail yesterday.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Sir Shivaswamy Iyer are leaving Indore to-morrow.

DISHONEST CLERK CONVICTED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Feb. 10.

Shaik Mohideen Shaik Ibrahim, a clerk in the Army Veterinary School, Wanowri, who was charged with forgery, and with dishonestly using a forged document, was found guilty by a Jury and sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment by Mr. A. C. Wild, I.C.S., District and Sessions Judge, Poona.

The accused prepared a cheque for Rs. 18-8-0, got it signed by the Commandant, Army Veterinary School, and then filled in the necessary words and figures to make the document appear as if it was a cheque for Rs. 118-8-0. Similary, he drew a cheque for Rs. 10, and converted it to one of Rs. 110. Both these amounts the accused failed to account for in his books.

The accused was also ordered to pay a fine of Rs. 141-1-0 the amount appropriated by him to his own use.

The announcement of the constitution of an Indian navy has been received here with acclamation. The "Daily Gazette" states:—It opens a new era in the development of India towards the goal of Dominion Status. This is a great day for India and there will surely be universal rejoicing.—A. P.

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BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

APPOINTMENTS AND LEAVES.

(THURSDAY, February 11.)

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Additional Judicial Commissioner of Sind, has been granted further leave on half average pay for eight months and two days.

Mr. A. Master, on relief, to act as Political Agent, Savanur.

Mr. Tehmas Temulji Kothavala to be a Special Magistrate of the First Class in the Sholapur District for the trial of the main Sholapur riot case.

The period of the temporary appointment of the Additional Judge (Sixth Judge) of the Court of Small Causes, Bombay, is extended for a further period of one year from the 1st March, 1926.

Sanction is accorded to the Coroner of Bombay to appoint Mr. Frederick William Pereira to act for him as his Deputy in the holding of inquests.

Mr. Narayan Swamirao Lokur to be District and Sessions Judge, with effect from the 1st January, 1926.

Mr. C. W. E. Arbuthnot, Executive Engineer, Presidency Division, to be Assessor on the Tribunal of Appeal.

Mr. Maganlal Ghelabhai Mehta to act temporarily as Assistant Judge and Additional Ssesions Judge, Ahmedabad.

Mr. Behram Navroji Sanjana, LL.B., on relief, to be Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Thana.

Mr. K. C. Sen, on relief, to do duty as Joint Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Thana.

Mr. J. H. Sanders, on relief, to act as District and Sessions Judge, Larkana.

Mr. Chandiram Kotumal, on relief, to do duty as Joint Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Hyderabad.

Mr. Dialmal Daulatram, on relief, to act as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Sukkur.

Mr. D. G. Ommanney, Deputy Inspector-General of Police for Sind, is granted leave on average pay for seven and a half months with effect from the 1st April, 1926, or from the date of relief.

Mr. E. Gawan-Taylor, I.C.S., on relief, to act as Collector of Ahmedabad and Talukdari Settlement Officer.

Mr. J. H. Garrett, on relief, to act temporarily as Commissioner, Northern Division.

Mr. W. B. Gilligan, on return from leave, to be Assistant Collector, Panch Mahals.

Mr. H. F. Ball, I.C.S., on relief, to act as Collector of Ahmednagar.

Mr. Ambelal Bhimbhai Desai to hold a temporary appointment of a second grade Deputy Collector and to do duty as District Deputy Collector, Panch Mahals.

Mr. Pranlal Hariprasad Diwan, on return from leave, to be District Deputy Collector, Thana.

Mr. A. M. Macmillan has been allowed an extension of leave on half average pay for six months on medical certificate.

Mr. S. A. L. Pereira, Assistant Shipping Master, Bombay, to act as Deputy Shipping Master, Bombay.

Mr. Baboorao S. Joshi, Head Clerk and Accountant, Shipping Office, Bombay, to act as Assistant Shipping Master, Bombay.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. R. M. Minshull-Ford to act as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Bombay.

Mr. M. S. Kapadia to be Certifying Surgeon for the City of Bombay on probation for one year.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. M. Houston, I.M.S., Health Officer of the Port of Bombay, is granted leave on average pay for six months and 24 days combined with leave on half average pay for 24 days with effect from the 1st April, 1926, or the subsequent date of relief.

Mr. H. K. Kirpalani to act as Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay during the absence of Mr. H. B. Clayton proceeding on leave.

Rao Bahadur P. T. Kothary to be Acting Civil Surgeon, Larkana.

Mr. Mahadeo Laxman Champhekar, Assistant Executive Engineer, to act as Executive Engineer, Pravara Canals Division.

Mr. W. N. Cartland, Executive Engineer and Under-Secretary to Government, Public Works Department (Irrigation and Railways), is granted leave on average pay for eight months with effect from the 10th April, 1926, or the subsequent date of relief.

Mr. Poyamoni Nagaswami Natesha Ayyar, Executive Engineer, Sanitary Project Office, to act as Sanitary Engineer to Government.

Mr. J. F. Lobo, Assistant Engineer, to act as Executive Engineer, Sanitary Project Office.

RAILWAYS IN GUJARAT

VASAD-BORSAD-KATHANA LINE.

Mr. Shankerbai J. Amin has addressed a memorial to the members of the Standing Finance Committee for Railways, Government of India, on behalf of the people of Borsad, Virsad, Anklav, Ras, Bochasan and other villages of the Borsad Taluka in Kaira District of Gujarat. In the course of this memorial it is stated as follows:—

The Borsad Taluka is one of the largest Talukas of Kaira District. It consists of about 92 villages having a population of 1,44,050 souls and admeasuring about 2'6 square miles. In or about the year 1885 the Vasad-Borsad line was projected and surveyed but was deferred for "Want of Funds" as stated by Mr. Ghosal Commissioner of Northern Division (Gujerat) at the Delhi Conference held in the Office of the Railway Board on 2nd December 1919. Between the years 1890 and 1905 His Highness the Maharaja Gaekwad of Baroda constructed various small lines in the Petlad Mahal which resulted in the decline and ruin of the trade and commerce of the Borsad Taluka and in the rise of the trade of the Petlad Mahal of the Baroda State. The people of the Borsad Taluka thereafter submitted various representations for construction of the Vasad-Borsad-Kathana Railway to the Bombay Government, and the Railway Board. The Officers of the Kaira District and the Bombay Government strongly supported construction of the said line on various grounds.

DECISIONS OF DELHI CONFERENCE

On 2nd December 1919 a Conference of the Representatives of the Bombay and Baroda Governments was held at the Office of the Railway Board at Delhi to consider the matter. Mr. Ghosal, Commissioner of the Northern Division (Gujerat) was present at the Conference on behalf of the Bombay Government and he pointed out that the Vasad-Borsad line was projected prior to the Anand-Petlad Line (i.e. in or about the year 1885) but was deferred for "Want of Funds." All the members present agreed and admitted that the Railway Communication in the Borsad Taluka was essential and beneficial. It was thereupon decided as under:—

(a) The Vasad-Borsad-Kathana Line was to be constructed on the Broad Gauge System as an integral prt of the B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(b) The Baroda Government were permitted to extend the Vaso Petled Line from Petlad to Bhadran on the Narrow Gauge System.

(c) The consideration of the Vasad-Kathana Line was to be commenced during the next financial year i.e. 1920 and an amount of Rupees five lakhs was to be budgeted immediately for the acquisition of land and demarcation etc.

Though it was decided that the sum of Rs. 5 lakhs was to be budgeted for construction of the Vasad-Borsad-Kathana Line in the year 1920 for acquisition of the land etc. no further action was taken in the matter. The people of the Borsad Taluka again submitted various representations to the Bombay Government and the Railway Board and a move was thereafter made for revise ing the estimate of the project.

In September Session of 1925, of the Legislative Assembly the Government replied to the question of Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta as under:—

"The Vasad-Borsad-Kathana Railway is the first in the list of urgency in the list of the lines recommended by the Government of Bombay for construction during the year 1926-27 and the project will receive due consideration when the estimate comes up for general examination and discussion in October next. The Revised Project report is expected within the next few days.

Should the prospective Project be favourable and if the Project can be considered financially justified, no avoidable delay will be incurred in putting in hand its construction."

JAMBUSAR-KAVI LINE.

The people of the Borsad Taluka have come to learn that the Railway Board has recently (in November 1925) sanctioned construction of the Jambusar-Kavi line and notified the same and preparations have been already made by the Local Officers for acquisition of the land for the said line and for construction thereof.

I beg to point out that if the sanction for construction of the line is deferred till the Budget is finally passed (1st March 1926) there will be further delay. After the Budget is passed in March 1926 the orders for construction of the line and for taking the work in hand will be delivered to Local Officers by the end of March or in April 1926. The Local Railway Officers will have to prepare Plans, Demarcations and to do other necessary preliminaries for acquisition of Land. They will have also to write to the Revenue Authorities in the matter. All this will take about 2 or 3 months and the Monsoon will by that time set in. The people will cultivate their lands and there will be great difficulty in acquisition of the land while the crops are standing on the land. It is suggested that the land should be acquired before Mansoon and the owners of the land should be given intimation in time.

I therefore beg to request you to be good enough to recommend to the Railway Board to sanction the immediate construction of the Vasad-Borsad-Kathana line a long-felt want of about 40 years (two generations) of the 1,44,050 people of the Borsad Taluka and the notification thereof and to provide the necessary funds for demarcation and acquisition of the land and for starting earth work and other preliminaries in connection therewith.

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